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# THE MADISON COURIER

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## MCS board given info on developing childcare facility

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
With data indicating Jefferson County has a dire need for more high-quality childcare, Madison Consolidated Schools has begun consideration of developing a childcare center.  
Whether the schools actually develop a childcare center will depend on what the

school board decides and whether the community will support the project. That process was outlined at Monday's Madison school board special meeting.  
The next step will come at the Wednesday, Nov. 13, school board meeting, when the board will decide whether to hire Indianapolis archi-

tectural firm Schmidt Associates to draft schematics for a potential childcare center to then help determine what the cost might be.  
MCS Superintendent Dr. Teresa Brown noted during the special meeting that guesstimates have speculated a childcare center like Madison is propos-

ing could cost more than \$25 million but they really won't know until Schmidt Associates designs the facility.  
"They will do designs based on what we're looking, and that will help guide how big and how much. We just don't know," Brown said after the meet-

ing. "Right now, we're just doing, what do you think about it? Do we want to do it? Now, the next step is getting some numbers" for the project, and then to decide whether to move forward.  
Consideration for developing a childcare program follows receipt of a

\$750,000 Employer-Sponsored Childcare Grant that MCS received earlier in the year through the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration Office to assist the school corporation in making decisions on community childcare.  
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## MARCHING BAND SHOWCASE



Bob Demaree  
Shawe Memorial High School's Band of Gold was the People's Choice winner at last week's Madison Marching Showcase at Madison Consolidated High School. Band members picture in front (from left) are: Helena Ho on flute, Charlie McRoberts on trumpet and Gabby Ortiz-Morales on piccolo. Shawe recently was state runner-up in the Indiana State School Music Association Championship in the Scholastic B Division. The band will next compete at the Bands of American Grand Championship at Lucas Oil Stadium on Nov. 15. For additional Madison Marching Showcase photos, see Page A7 of this edition.

## 20% have voted so far in Jefferson County

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**  
There are 22,270 registered voters in Jefferson County for this year's general election — slightly less than the last Presidential election in 2020 when there were 22,373 registered voters. As of Thursday afternoon about 20% of that total have already cast their votes in early voting.  
Based on the most recent information from the County Clerk's office, 4,515 voters have participated in early voting by 2 p.m. Thursday for about 20.3%.  
Early voting is underway and will continue through Monday. Voting at the Jefferson County Courthouse in the Commissioners Office is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, and 9 a.m. to noon Monday.  
On Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 5, voting will be from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the polling locations. Polling locations on Election Day are:  
• American Legion, 707 Jefferson St., Madison, precincts 1-1 and 1-2  
• Lydia Middleton Elementary, 714

### ELECTION DAY CLOSINGS

The following closing are announced for Election Day on Tuesday, Nov. 5:

- All Jefferson County government offices
- Madison City Hall and water office and Brown Gym. However, trash and recycle will run normal schedule and the transfer station will be open
- All Town of Hanover offices

The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) will extend hours of operation for all BMV branches on Monday, Nov. 4 and Tuesday, Nov. 5 for the general election. Branches will be open Monday, Nov. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Tuesday, Nov. 5, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

West Main St., Madison, precincts 2-1 and Third ward

- E.O. Muncie School, 800 Lanier Drive, Madison, precincts 2-2, 5-1 and 5-2
- VFW, 3100 Michigan Road, Madison, precincts 4-1, 4-1A and 4-2
- Madison Consolidated High School, Auxiliary Gymnasium, 743 Clifty Drive, Madison, precincts 4-1, 4-1A and 4-3
- Deputy Fire Department, 14275 West Mulberry St., Deputy, precinct

Graham Township

- Hanover Community Building, 200 Spruce Lane, Hanover, precincts Hanover 1 and Hanover 3
- Jefferson County 4-H Fairgrounds, 3852 West State Road 256, Hanover, precincts Hanover 2, Hanover 2A and precinct Madison Township 2
- Dupont Fire Department, 10641 North Reynolds Road, Dupont, precinct

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### CHARLIE'S BEAT

## Chappell moves to center stage

**"W**hen I first met Justin Chappell, he was this 15-year-old kid, coming to me for guitar lessons," relates Jimmy Davis, local guitar icon and noted music educator. "So we get to talking, and right away I discover that we're cousins! I didn't even know it. But for sure, we're related. The next thing I discover is we are kindred spirits in more ways than just blood."

About it in a Song' by Lynyrd Skynyrd. And my grandfather, Clarence Breedon, taught me a few



CHARLIE ROHLFING  
CHARLIE'S BEAT



Justin Dwayne Chappell

chords. But really, Jimmy was my main influence on guitar. Him, plus a whole lot of listening to Stevie Ray Vaughn," says Justin. "Honestly, during those early lessons, Jimmy was so good, so effortless, it made me feel like I should just give up and find another hobby. But I kept coming back, and kept improving.  
"That was some 16 years ago, and there have been a lot of miles and a lot of blues and rock and country come out of my guitar. I started in bars around Madison when I was just a teenager, played in a bunch of bands at places like JoeyGs and Tiffany's. And then, about 5 years ago I got picked up by Joe Clark to be his lead guitar player.  
"That 5-year-run with Joe Clark was a great experience. I've played

Justin, who goes by the full name Justin Dwayne Chappell, picks up the story. "Jimmy starts teaching me the basic fingering for picking out a melody. I think it was the Star Spangled Banner. And after a short while I was like, 'Hey this isn't really what I want to learn.' And he says, 'OK, what then?' And I told him, 'I just want to learn to play the blues!' A smile just lit up his face and we were off and running.  
"The first full song I learned was 'All I Can Do Is Write

**SEE CHAPPELL PAGE A3**

### Fall back!

**Daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m. Sunday.** Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour.



## Fall property taxes due Nov. 12

**BY COURIER STAFF REPORT**  
Fall property tax payments are due by Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024, in Jefferson County.  
Jefferson County Treasurer Meghan Crowley Hoskins says to avoid long lines at the Treasurer's Office, payments can be made online

at <https://jeffersoncounty.egovapps.com/> or at German American Bank, Farmers Bank of Milton or Friendship State Bank, but please include the tax coupons for you properties. Those paying taxes can also mail payments to P.O. Box 99, Madison, IN 47250.

Hoskins also reminded that the Jefferson County Courthouse will be closed Monday, Nov. 11, to observe Veterans Day.  
You can also sign up to receive important text message reminders about property tax due dates by texting the word TAXES to 77295 to opt in.



# Clerk at Carrollton market cited for THC sales to minors

**BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP**  
Following a multi-week investigation, Carrollton Police have charged a female employee of a local market with the alleged illegal sale of Delta 9 THC gummies to a minor.  
Carrollton Police Det. Dave Roberts removed approximately \$2,500 in illegal product from Bill and Shirley’s Market, 716 Sixth St., and cited Bhavanaben Bipinkumar for unlawfully selling Delta 9 THC gummies to a minor on multiple occasions during the investigation.  
According to Carrollton Police Chief Mike Willhoite, the inves-

tigation was initiated after parents and others complained that someone was selling the Delta 9 THC gummies — which can have an intoxicating effect — to minors to be consumed by as young as middle school-age children.  
“We were receiving complaints from parents and from people at the middle school that kids were chewing THC gum at school and getting high,” said Willhoite. He noted that the sale of Delta 9 THC products to adults is legal in Kentucky, but is illegal to persons under the age of 19 and that’s what

triggered the investigation and the citation.  
Willhoite said a 19-year-old working undercover with the police department during the investigation made multiple purchases of Delta 9 THC gummies at the market to confirm that the gummies were being sold to minors at that location.  
“We weren’t even sure what we could charge them with, but we decided to find out,” said Willhoite, noting that sale to minors had been outlawed by a 2023 Executive Order signed by Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear so figuring out the charges was the

issue. “We contacted the state and the governor’s office for information and they confirmed it was a misdemeanor. We not sure what will happen in the courts, but we decided we would charge them and just see how it comes out.”  
He said the sale of THC products to minors is similar to the sale of tobacco products or alcohol to underage customers. It’s a misdemeanor punishable by up to 90 days in jail and a \$500 fine per count.  
“It will be up to the court to decide the penalties. We did it as much for the education

as for the enforcement so that people will know that this is illegal in Kentucky,” Willhoite said. “Plus the parents were complaining that their kids were buying the stuff and we wanted to respond to those concerns and at least let them see that we are trying to do something about it.”  
Det. Roberts was assisted by Chief Willhoite, Assistant Chief Keith Dews, Sgt. Darrius Taylor as well as members of The Public Health Protection and Safety Cabinet in Frankfort. Roberts will continue the ongoing investigation.

## NEWS OF RECORD

**JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER LODGINGS**  
**October 28, 2024**  
Yvonne Derrickson, 59, Portland, Indiana, on a warrant to hold for Henry County, Indiana (driving while suspended). No bond.  
**October 29, 2024**  
Michael Nathan Boldery, 27, Seymour, Indiana, on an arrest warrant to hold for Jackson County, Indiana (public intoxication). No bond.  
Shelbi E. Coghill, 25, Bedford, Kentucky, for Possession of a Syringe, a Level 6 felony; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Bond \$1,00 cash.  
Christopher Andrew Hoskins, 36, Milton, Kentucky, for Possession of a Firearm by a Serious Violent Felon, a Level 4 felony; Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of a Legend Drug or Precursor and Possession of a Syringe, all Level 6 felonies; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. No bond.  
Dara Anne Maiden, 29, Madison, on a Jefferson County warrant for probation violation. Bond \$2,500 cash.  
Robert Aaron Rowlett, 36, Milton, Kentucky, for Trafficking with an Inmate, a Level 5 felony; Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony; and Operating Without Ever Obtaining a License-Prior Offense, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.  
**October 30, 2024**  
David Lee Johnson, 58, for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Bond \$500 cash.

Sean Michael Kellen, 35, Madison, for Possession of Child Pornography-2 Counts, a Level 6 felony. No bond.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT & SUPERIOR COURT SENTENCINGS**  
**October 28, 2024**  
Heaven Lynn Samuels, 20, Madison, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs.  
Shandell Lucille Copeland, 26, Madison, for Driving Without a License, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$189.50 in court costs.  
Charles A. Edgington Jr., 45, Hanover, for Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$189.50 court costs.  
**October 29, 2024**  
Joseph Bryan Hayden, 34, Bedford, Kentucky, to an amended charge of Theft, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 108 days served and 72 days suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$289 in fees and court costs.  
Delayna Marie Leatherbury, 31, Vevay, Indiana, for Theft, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed with sentencing consecutive to 545 days at IDOC for Attempted Escape, a Level 5 felony and 365 days jail for Resisting Law Enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor, both fully executed, with credit for 45 days served and \$189 in

court costs.  
Rachel Smith, 43, Bedford, Kentucky, to amended charges of Possession of Narcotic Drug, a Level 6 felony and Operating While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction on the felony, all suspended except for 46 days served, consecutive to 365 days jail on the misdemeanor, all suspended. Placed on supervised probation for 610 days plus \$1,189 in fees and court costs, restitution to be determined and 90-day loss of driver’s license.  
Michael Joseph Martin, 27, Vevay, Indiana, to an amended charge of Domestic Battery, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to 450 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 12 days served and 438 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$639 in fees and court costs.  
Tony E. Skirvin, 49, Hanover, to amended charges of Intimidation and Resisting Law Enforcement, both Level 6 felonies. Sentenced to 540 days at Indiana Department of Correction on each count, concurrent, with credit for 10 days served and 530 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$589 in fees and court costs and No Contact Order to remain in effect.  
Thomas Cody Collins, 32, Charlestown, Indiana, to amended charges of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony and False Informing, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction on the felony concurrent to 180 days jail

on the misdemeanor, fully executed, with credit for 128 days jail served plus \$789 in fees and court costs.  
Troy Allen Bucher, 53, Mishawaka, Indiana, to amended charges of Theft and Intimidation, both Level 6 felonies. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction on each count, concurrent; with credit for 96 days jail served plus \$389.00 in fees and court costs and No Contact Order to continue.  
Joshua Scott Broughton, 45, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed with credit for 96 days jail served plus \$789 in fees and court costs.  
Dereck Ray Gotts, 43, Madison, to an amended charge of Theft, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 540 days at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended except for 120 days with credit for 90 days jail served and placed on supervised probation for 420 days plus \$989 in fees and court costs with No Contact Order to continue.  
Carolyn Diane Hilton, 40, Hanover, to an amended charge of Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 60 days jail, all suspended except for 10 days served and placed on unsupervised probation for 50 days plus \$489 in fees and court costs.

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS**  
**JEFFERSON COUNTY**  
**October 24, 2024**  
Shelby Township to Friends of Canaan Incorporated

and Canaan Community Academy, 3 parcels totaling approximately 1.9 acres at 8000+ and 8875 North Canaan Main Street, Canaan.  
Dave Hardin to Karen Hatton, 102 Miles Ridge Road, Madison.  
Michael Davies and Amy Davies to Calvin Daugherty, 9011 West State Road 56, Vevay.  
Timothy L. Boldery Jr. to Brandon Lee Reffett, 10737 North Reynolds Road, Dupont.  
Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Indianapolis Properties Inc., to Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Indianapolis Properties Inc. (trustee) and Prince of Peace Catholic Church Madison Inc., 12 lots in St. Patrick Cemetery and St. Magdalen Cemetery, Madison.  
**October 28, 2024**  
GH Equity LLC to Zamguz Properties LLC, 2900 Kentucky Avenue, Madison.  
Jennifer Chia Shin Chang and Jeffrey Allen Wagner to Michael MacRander and Connie MacRander, 2474 Forest Drive, Madison.  
**October 29, 2024**  
Jefferson County Auditor Heather Huff, Auditor of Jefferson County Heather Huff, Heather Huff Auditor of Jefferson County and John R. Collier & Dorothy Jean Rev Living Trust to Robert Graham and Susan Graham, part of 1338+ South Riverview Drive, Hanover.  
Laura R. Gardner, Mary M. King and John R. Raisor to Jarrod Bruther and Nicole Bruther, approximately 5 acres at 1975 East Cross Road, Madison.  
Jared Yoder and Rosanna Yoder to Brent E. Smith and Julie R. Howat, 6608 South

Saluda Paynesville Road, Hanover.  
David H. Ott and Leah C. Ott to Zhong Rui Li and Mei Cai, 2360 Sunset Court, Madison.  
Larry A. Crisafulli and Valecia Crisafulli to David H. Ott and Leach C. Ott, 832 West Main Street, Madison.  
Michael MacRander and Connie MacRander to Mark Johnson and Laura Chitwood, approximately 3.9 acres at 10611 West State Road 56, Lexington.  
Jerry L. Beech and Shannon Neal to Terry James Hennessey, 742 West Third Street, Madison.  
Judie Crawley to James E. Crawley Jr. and Myra Crawley, approximately 5.7 acres at 1730+ South 630 West, Hanover.  
Bradley C. Dews and Linda J. Dews (deceased) to Bradley C. Dews, 3215 North Quail Drive, Madison.  
Bradley C. Dews to Bradley C. Dews (trustee) and Bradley C. Dews) Irrevocable Trust, 3215 North Quail Drive, Madison.  
Beau Recon LLC to Robert D. Hudson and Lauren L. Hudson, 8759 West State Road 56, Lexington.  
**October 30, 2024**  
Bruno Country LLC to Eric Bruno, 4 parcels totaling approximately 22 acres at 8000+, 8200+, 8273 and 8401 North Little Rest Farm Road Commiskey.  
Dorothy A. Neal and Jennifer Ball to Jennifer Ball, Ireland Falconberry and Jackson Falconberry, 1700 Bear Street, Madison.  
Penny Bibbs and Penny Gordon to Penny Gordon and Tony Gordon, approximately 5.6 acres at 9485 West Polk Road, Lexington.

# Carroll, Trimble Halloween activities rescheduled

**BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP**  
Due to the forecast for heavy rain on Halloween Thursday, Oct. 31, festivities in Trimble County and Carroll County have been rescheduled for Friday, Nov. 1.  
Halloween festivities

on the Trimble County Courthouse Square and trick-or-treat in Bedford and also in Milton were all rescheduled for Friday from 6-8 p.m.  
Halloween trick-or-treat in Carrollton has also been rescheduled for Friday


from 6-8 p.m. Carrollton Police Chief Mike Willhoite said the city has traditionally scheduled away from weekends due to the increased traffic Carrollton sees on weekends, but that the weather forecast combined with the need to give parents time to make alternative plans left Friday evening the best option.

# INDOT schedules patch work on SR 250

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**  
Indiana Department of Transportation maintenance crews will conduct temporary closures on State Road 250 between State Road 3 and North Inness Road through at least Mon-

day, Nov. 4, to complete patching work in Jefferson and Jennings counties.  
Work is expected to take up to three days and was scheduled to begin Thursday, Oct. 31 and continue Friday and Mon-

day, weather permitting.  
INDOT reminds motorists to slow down, use caution and drive distraction-free in and near work zones. All work is weather-dependent and schedules are subject to change.



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## WEATHER

**Sunrise:** 8:08 a.m.  
**Sunset:** 6:42 p.m.  
**Temperature:** High 74, Low 42, Mean 58.0, Deficit 0.1  
**Precipitation since last published:** 0  
**Precipitation, October 2024:** .08  
**Precipitation, 2024:** 34.57  
**Barometer:** 29.90, Falling  
**River Level at Clifty Creek:** 421.79, Steady  
**Forecast:** Saturday: Mostly sunny High 68/Low 49; Sunday: Morning showers High 76/Low 63; Monday: Mostly cloudy High 78/Low 65; Tuesday: Evening showers High 77/Low 53.

## LOTTERY

**INDIANA**  
**Hoosier Lotto:** 11-14-17-29-40-44 (10/30). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$27.5 million. Next Drawing (11/2).  
**Cash Five:** 5-7-13-35-40 (10/30)  
**Cash 4 Life:** 9-16-38-42-55 CB: 3 (10/30)

**KENTUCKY**  
**Cash Ball:** 9-14-29-34 CB 8 (10/30)  
**Kentucky 5 Extra:** 6-19-21-25-37 (10/30)  
**Lucky For Life:** 14-17-27-28-43 LB: 13 (10/30)

**MEGAMILLIONS**  
16-22-26-36-56 MB: 1, MP 4 (10/29). Next Jackpot: \$281 million. Next Drawing (11/1)

**POWERBALL**  
13-22-29-43-58 PB: 22, PP 3 (10/30). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$54 million. Next Drawing (11/2)

**POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY**  
18-36-39-49-62 PB: 12 (10/30). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to \$10 million. Next Drawing (11/2)

## BIRTHDAYS

**Editor’s Note:** Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

**NOVEMBER 1**  
Kendall Miller

**NOVEMBER 2**  
Gary Chandler  
Tammy Burress  
Kim Shirley Eldridge

**NOVEMBER 4**  
Jim Bartlett

**NOVEMBER 5**  
Aaron Lux  
Toni Galassi  
Carol Taylor

**NOVEMBER 6**  
David Sutter

**NOVEMBER 8**  
Angela Hamilton



**OBITUARIES**

**Marlene Elston Linkmeyer**

Marlene Elston Linkmeyer, age 88 of Madison, IN, entered this life on May 7, 1936. She was the loving daughter of the late Joseph Perry and Gertrude “Dot” Baxter Elston. A life-long resident of Jefferson County, IN.

Marlene died on Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2024, at 9:33 a.m. at the Jewel Place in Madison, IN.

Marlene will be missed by her son, Greg Linkmeyer and his wife Tammy of Laconia, IN; her daughters, Cindy Heitz and her husband Markt of Madison, IN, and Amy Noah and her husband Brian of Brookville, IN; her sister, Rosalind Elston Harrell of Madison, IN; her sister-in-law, Patsy Elston of Madison, IN; her grandchildren, Christy (David), Sara (Brandon), Kayla (Josh), Clinton, and Xavier; her great-grandchildren, Delaney, Dillan, Jackson, Benson, Annie and Henry; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, Joseph Perry Elston; her mother, Gertrude “Dot” Baxter Elston; her close uncle, and aunt, Jim and Shirley Weber; her husband of 40 years, Bob Linkmeyer, Sept.

2, 1999; her brothers, Gerald Elston, and Wayne Elston; her sister, Maxine Elston Moderau; her brothers-in-law, Herman J. Moderau, and Grady L. Harrell; her niece Michele Moderau Clark; her nephew Gary Wayne Elston; her niece Kimberly Elston Pettit, and her maternal grandparents Lafayette and Minnie Baxter.

Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024, at 7 p.m., by her family at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Interment will follow at a later date in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North US 421 near Madison, IN.

Friends may visit on Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024, from 4 p.m.until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, Jefferson County Red Cross, or Easter Seals. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Earl Eugene Sutherland**

Earl Eugene Sutherland, age 50, of Fortville, IN, entered this life on May 16, 1974, in Madison, IN. He was the loving son of Dennis Leigh and Helen Elizabeth Lewis Sutherland. Earl died on Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2024, at his home in Fortville, IN.

Earl will be missed by his loving parents, Dennis Leigh and Helen Elizabeth Lewis Sutherland of Deputy, IN; his sisters, Ginger Marie Sutherland of Madison, IN, Karen Elizabeth Sutherland of New Albany, IN; his brothers, Daniel David Sutherland and his wife, Lynn of Deputy, IN, Roy Quentin Sutherland and his wife, Michele of Columbia City, IN; his nieces and his nephews, Gabby, Gretchen, Gauge, Peyton, Suzanne Esther, and Eleanore Leigh; his uncles, and his aunts, John and Toni Lewis of Cincinnati, OH, Patrick Lewis of New Jersey, Mike and Vera Lewis of CO, Esther

Shannon and Jesse Taylor of Deputy, IN, Aleatha Sutherland of Hanover, IN, Everett and Norma Sutherland of Hanover, IN; and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Samuel and Esther Lewis and John and Virgie Sutherland, his uncles and his aunts, Hubert Sutherland, Linda Sutherland, Jean Lewis, and Betty Sutherland.

Friends may visit on Friday, Nov. 8, 2024, from 2 — 4 p.m. with memorial services at 4 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre-Hanover Chapel, 278 East Main Street in Hanover, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Church of God World Association. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Donnie Ray ‘Donnie Duck’ Sandlin I**

Donnie Ray “Donnie Duck” Sandlin, I, age 54, of Hanover, IN, entered this life on Sept. 9, 1970, in Carrollton, KY. He was the loving son of the late Charlie and Mildred Burford Sandlin. He was raised in Carrollton and was a member of the Paynesville Christian Church in Paynesville, IN, where he was baptized on March 23, 2003. On Nov. 29, 1990, Donnie was united in marriage to Michele Marie Krohn in Carrollton, KY. This happy union was blessed to raise three children, Donnie Ray, II, Emily, and Michael. They resided in Lexington for several years and in Hanover for the past 18 years. He had worked for Jacobi Sod Farm for 12 years then with Pride Family Supermarket for 10 years in the deli. He was currently an employee of Madison Wal-Mart working in the deli for the past six years. He loved fishing, watching Dale Earnhardt, Jr. with NASCAR, was an avid UK Basketball fan, and loved being a papaw to his grandchildren. Donnie died on Monday, Oct. 28, 2024, at 11:41 p.m. at the Emergency Room at Norton King’s Daughters’ Hospital in Madison, IN.

Donnie will be missed by his loving wife of nearly 34 years, Michele Marie Krohn Sandlin of Hanover, IN; his son, Donnie Ray Sandlin, II and his wife, Casey of Hanover, IN; his daughter, Emily Atkins and her husband, Jessie of North Vernon, IN; Michael Phillips and his wife, Jenny of Dupont, IN, who was like a son he raised; his grandchildren, Hazel, Jaxon, Peyton, Alyvia,



Wyatt, Jude, Owen, Titus, Hadley, and Kira; his sister, Linda Wilson and her husband, Greg of Worthville, IN; his brothers, Charles Sandlin and his wife, Linda of Ghent, KY, Richard Sandlin and his wife, Glennis of Owen County, KY; his brother in law, Paul Carter of Louisville, KY; his sister in law, Ragina Krohn of Carrollton, KY; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his father, Charlie Sandlin; his mother, Mildred Burford Sandlin; his grandma, Nellie Burford; his sister in law, Penny Krohn; his mother in law, Cookie Breeden.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024, at 4 p.m., by Pastor Jim Wilson at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN.

Friends may visit Sunday from 2 — 4 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Donnie Sandlin Remembrance Fund. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Gary Todd Queen**

Gary Todd Queen, age 62, passed away unexpectedly of natural cause on July 30, 2024. Gary was born on March 24,1962, to Maysel Marie Queen and Robert Lee Queen in Madison, IN. Gary graduated from Trimble County High School, Bedford, KY, in 1980, and went on to college receiving Bachelor of Science degrees in Business Management and Master of Business Administration.

Gary was predeceased

in death by his parents, and sister Catherine Jean Queen Bassett. He is survived by his his ex-wife Debra Queen, sister Carolyn Sue Baldwin, brother Samuel Perry Rodgers, and sister Yvonne Rodgers Vanosdol, sister Barbara Queen Harding and brother Robert Steven Queen.

Services were conducted by Morgan & Nay Funeral Center with burial with his parents in Grandview Memorial Gardens, Madison, IN.

Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024, at Norton King’s Daughters’ Hospital in Madison, IN. No public services will be held. Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Home, Bedford, KY, [www.ransdellfuneral.com](http://www.ransdellfuneral.com).

**Francisco Costa Leite, 86**, of Carrollton, KY, died Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024, in Carrollton. A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at the English Christian Church in Carrollton, with interment in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Carrollton. Arrangements by Tandy Eckler Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, [www.tandyecklerrileyfuneral-home.com](http://www.tandyecklerrileyfuneral-home.com).

**Roger Dale Williams, 79**, of Milton, KY, died

really great. Of all the places I’ve played, touring with Joe and all the rest, I can honestly say Madison is my favorite town to play, and specifically at Red Bicycle Hall. That venue just has a vibe that you don’t see very often. We love it there!

“I give a lot of credit to Mayor Bob for the energy and progress that I’ve seen lately in Madison. I think he and his team have done a great job. Looking

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**CHILDCARE**

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During the summer, Kim Lyons was hired as director of Early Childcare, with space this fall at Madison Junior High School for children of MCS employees up to two years old. There are plans to expand that program in the spring of next year to add another two-year room to focus on providing space to industry partners.

“We’re just trying to get a little better, a little bigger. We’re being careful” in moving forward, said Brown.

Rick Roll, managing partner of eSolve Solutions, has been contracted by the school corporation to research the community needs and the feasibility of expanding childcare further into the community.

Roll stated Brighter Futures Indiana, a childcare data center, says Jefferson County may have 1,119 children under the age of six in need of childcare. He also said Madison is anticipated to grow, according a housing study that expects 445 to 630 more housing units in the next five years.

Roll emphasized that childcare is critical in the development of children. “Children who enrolled in early education programs are 25% more likely to graduate high school and four times more likely to complete a bachelor’s degree,” said Roll.

One model considered for a community childcare facility would be nearly year round (48 weeks) with 23 total rooms for 301 total children — 14 preschool rooms for ages 3-4, four two-year-old rooms, three one-year-old rooms and two infant rooms.

Board member Michael Scott asked whether the proposed childcare center would be large enough to meet the community’s needs. “The last thing I want to do is build a building, and as soon as it’s done we’re planning an expansion because we didn’t size it right the first time. You cannot build a shopping mall and not fill it, but I hate building something, and then it’s too small once you cut the ribbon,” he said.

However, later in the meeting, board member Dustin Bentz questioned the data that was presented concerning projected growth in Madison. “I’d be hesitant and I would be shocked to see Madison’s population grow at the rate they’re saying,” Bentz said, suggesting a more stagnant growth in population. “100% we need a child care center, 100% we need to have the best offerings for our preschool and our 0-4 year olds ... but we want to make sure we don’t go too overboard with that housing projection. I just think that’s kind of way over what I’ve seen.”

Brown said that 23 rooms was selected based of what seems financially feasible to the school corporation to take on in debt and to be financially sustainable.

“Based on what we’re hearing, and these are way

rough because we don’t have cost estimates yet for us ... but we’re looking probably around \$25 to \$30 million” for the childcare center, said Brown. “We don’t want to go above that ... We’re trying to stay within a range that financially makes sense for us to take on debt. The bigger it gets obviously the more that’s going to be. So, to try to keep it within what would be our financial boundaries would be one reason” for that size of facility.

Brown said the childcare center must be financially sustainable to operate with the staff that will be required. “We want to build a facility that’s safe and beautiful and meets all of our kids and community’s needs but we need to be able to keep it going financially, too.”

With the likelihood that cost will exceed a threshold of \$19 million, there will be additional steps in the process of deciding whether to move forward.

Because of that, Lauren Siler, counsel for Ice Miller’s Public Finance Group, said two public hearings will be required, then a 30-day period for community feedback on the project, and the opportunity to file a petition with signatures of 5% or 500 registered taxpayers and voters in the school district.

“I want to stress that if in fact a petition is successfully filed within the 30-day period, the decision then comes back to the school board on how to proceed,” Siler said.

She said the board is “not obligated by any means to proceed to a referendum or ballot,” noting the board could put the project on hold and take more time to discuss the plan with the community. “You would essentially be delaying a potential construction date for building by choosing to take a step back,” she said.

On the other hand, if there is no opposition and no petition, the project can move forward if it has school board support.

Jason Tanselle, director at Baker Tilly, the municipal advisor for the school corporation, discussed the finances of the project and illustrated that the school corporation’s debt service is slated to decrease. That would provide room to take on the new debt of the childcare center.

He said the school corporation currently has six bonds that are outstanding and payable from the debt service bonds that will begin to decline in 2026 and be paid off in 2031. Currently the total debt service rate for the school corporation is 98 cents, below the \$1.05 state average and just below the median of 99 cents. “The school corporation is right next to the median, and a little below the average,” he said.

Brown noted now is the time to move forward to determine the school board’s support and the community’s support for a childcare center. “We’ve been talking about it for a year. At some point, do you move forward or not? I don’t know. We’ll see what they say.”

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Jerry Donald Bower, 74**, of Hanover, IN, died Sunday, Oct. 27, 2024, at his residence in Hanover. A celebration of life will be held at noon on Saturday, Nov. 9, at Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Vail Chapel, in Madison, [www.lytlewelty.com](http://www.lytlewelty.com).

**Darrell William Boyer, 89**, formerly of Switzerland County, IN, died Friday, Oct. 18, 2024, at the Brickyard Portage Care Center in Portage,

IN. Burial will be in the Caledonia Cemetery near Moorefield, IN. Arrangements by Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, IN, [www.haskell-morrison.com](http://www.haskell-morrison.com).

**Bernard Marshall “Bernie” Broad, 81**, of Madison, IN, died on Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2024, at his home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, IN, [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**CHAPPELL**

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everywhere from New York City to Texas, and everywhere in between. It was a good run with Joe, but I have two young kids now and a career, so I had to come in off the road. Today I’m playing a lot of solo gigs, plus band shows with Danny Cook and Kerry Mefford, and Woody Woodmansee when we can

get him.

“Actually, if anyone is interested, I’ll be doing a solo show in December at Tailgators, and I’m at the Drake this Friday, Nov. 1, with the full band. We do a lot of popular cover songs that people will really enjoy, but I’m in the process of working up an original show. Of course, it was all original stuff when I toured with Joe Clark.

“I think the thing Madison is doing with Indiana’s Music City is

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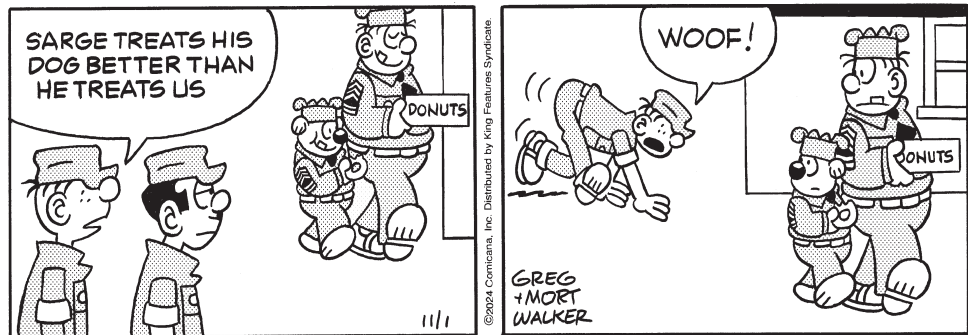
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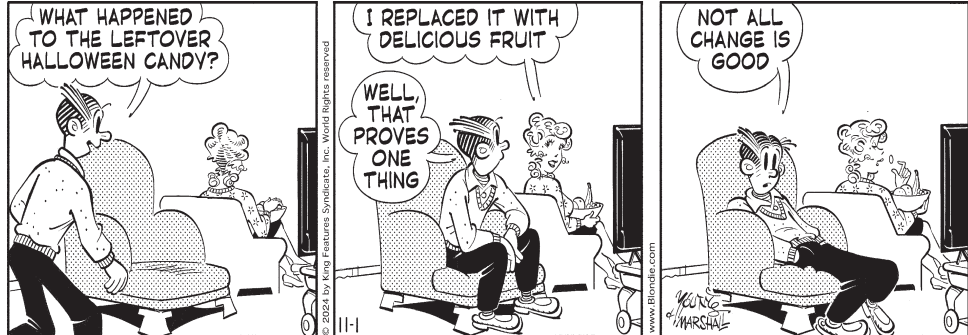
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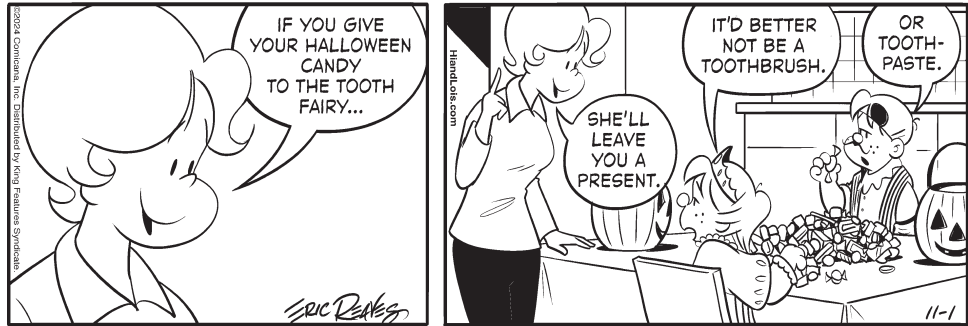
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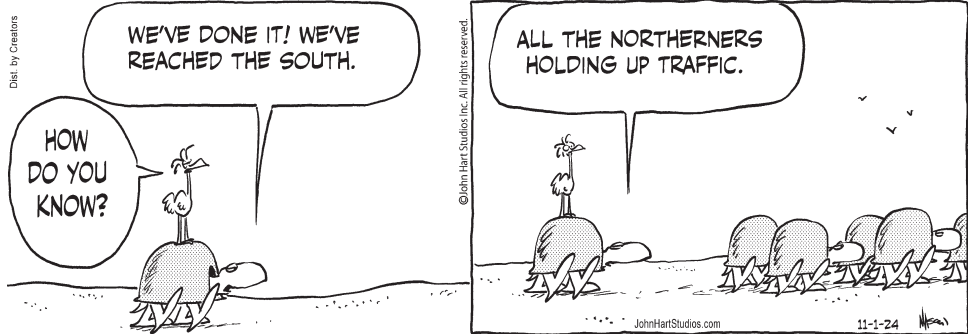
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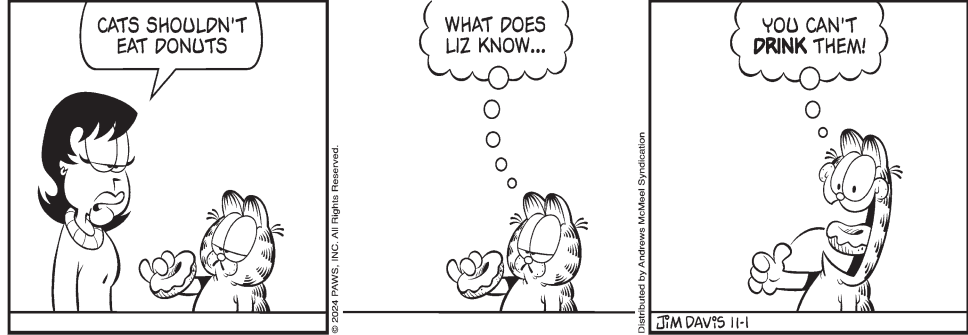
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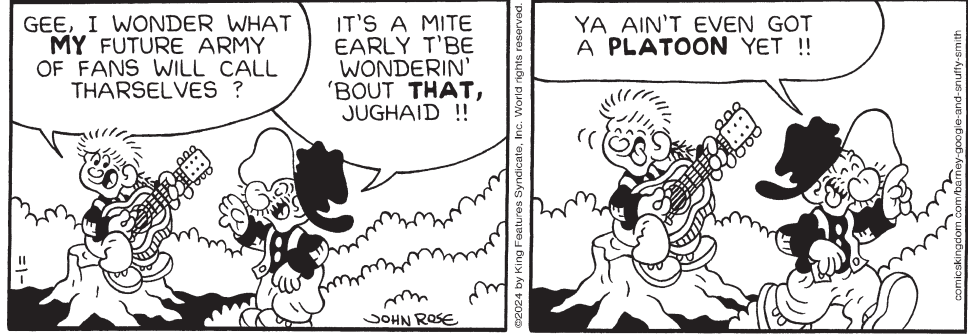
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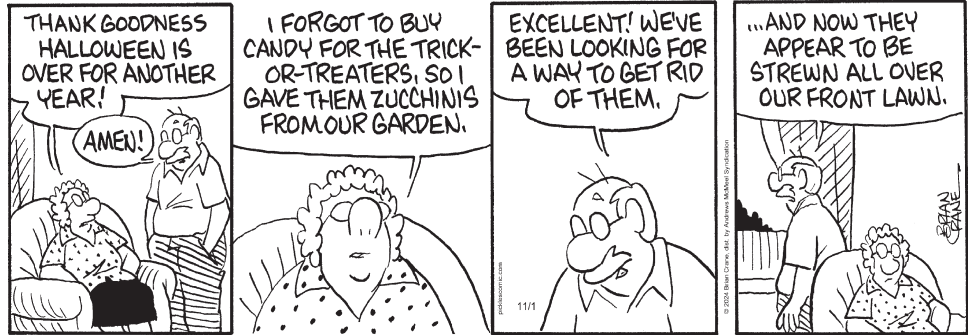
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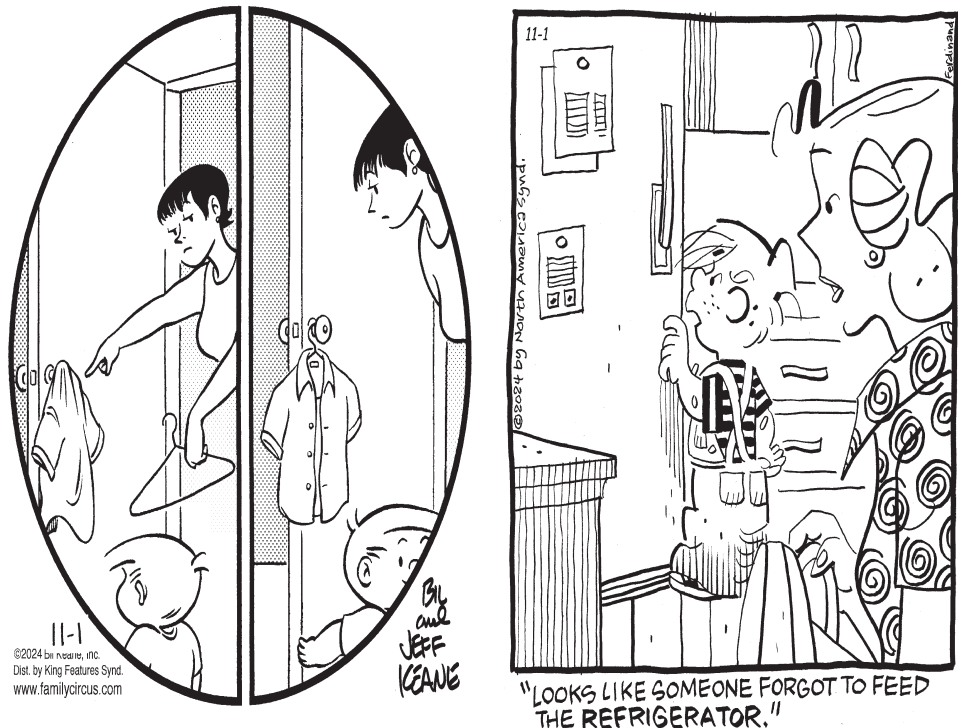


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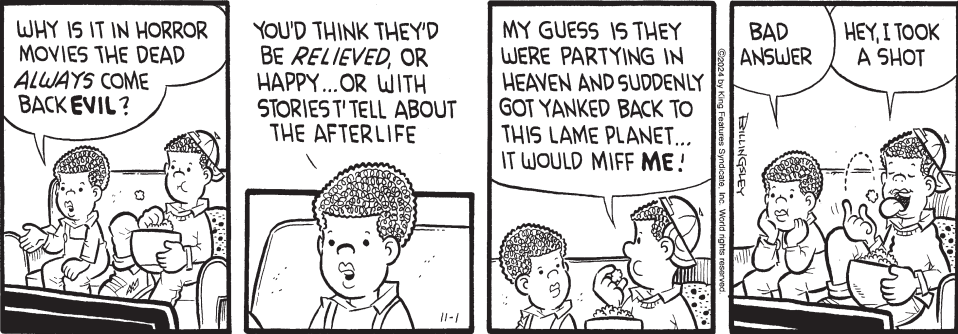
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Nov. 1, the 306th day of 2024. There are 60 days left in the year.

**Today in history:**  
On Nov. 1, 1938, in a two-horse match race, Seabiscuit defeated the favored Triple Crown winner War Admiral by four lengths in what was dubbed the "Race of the Century" at Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore.

**Also on this date:**  
**In 1765**, the Stamp Act, passed by the British Parliament, went into effect, prompting stiff resistance from American colonists.  
**In 1861**, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln named Maj. Gen. George B. McClellan General-in-Chief of the Union armies, succeeding Lt. Gen. Winfield Scott.  
**In 1894**, Nicholas II

became Emperor of Russia, succeeding his late father Alexander III.  
**In 1936**, in a speech in Milan, Italy, Benito Mussolini described the alliance between his country and Nazi Germany as an "axis" running between Rome and Berlin.  
**In 1950**, two Puerto Rican nationalists tried to force their way into Blair House in Washington, D.C., in a failed attempt to assassinate President Harry S. Truman. (One of the pair was killed, along with a White House police officer.)  
**In 1982**, the first Japanese car produced in the U.S. rolled off the assembly line at the Honda manufacturing plant in Marysville, Ohio.  
**In 1989**, East Germany reopened its border with

Czechoslovakia, prompting tens of thousands of refugees to flee to the West.  
**In 1995**, peace talks opened in Dayton, Ohio, with the leaders of Bosnia, Serbia and Croatia present.  
**Today's Birthdays:** Golf Hall of Famer Gary Player is 89. Football Hall of Famer Ted Hendricks is 77. Music producer David Foster is 75. Musician Lyle Lovett is 67. Apple CEO Tim Cook is 64. Rock singer Anthony Kiedis (Red Hot Chili Peppers) is 62. Country singer "Big Kenny" Alphin (Big and Rich) is 61. Actor Toni Collette is 52. Actor host Jenny McCarthy is 52. TV host Jenny McCarthy is 52. Actor Aishwarya Rai Bachchan is 51. Football Hall of Famer Steve Hutchinson is 47. Actor Natalia Tena is 40. Actor Penn Badgley is 38. Actor Anthony Ramos is 33.









Members of the Jefferson County 4-H “Aimee Perry Dream Team” state champion drill team are (from left): Front — Faith Day with Kasey; Back — Simeon Ball with Max, Rebecca Ball with Ryo, Avery Wilber with Frankie, Emily Foster with Daisy May, Rosemary Couch with Sophie, Esme Reece with Gus, Clayton Couch with Mercury, and Gabe Pedigo with Newman.

# Jefferson County 4-H Drill Team honors Aimee Perry with state title

**BY BOB DEMAREE**

Fourteen years after winning the 4-H Dog Show Unlimited Drill Team State Championship, Jefferson County did it again this summer in Indianapolis.

“These kids are exceptional,” said Tammy Beitzel who coached the team along with Becky Bladen. “It was a team effort and I can honestly say there was no weak links in this group.”

A drill team is a group of dogs who in working with their handlers perform specific obedience exercises to music — sometimes doing the same exercise and other times doing different exercises.

The last Jefferson County drill team to win an unlimited state championship was in 2010. Then, for more than a decade, there wasn’t a drill team from Jefferson County. “It was because it’s so much work, not because the kids weren’t willing,” said Trina Copeland, a leader for the South Paws 4-H Club.

Drill team was brought back in 2023 due in large part to the efforts by Aimee Perry, a pet groomer with Pawsibilities. “She wanted to bring it back really bad, and she talked and talked and begged, and basically she got Becky (Bladen) and I to help her out, and we got it together last year,” said Beitzel.

But as the drill team was competing during that first season in 2023, Perry was in failing health. “I’d go to the hospital and meet with her” to plan choreography for the drill team, said Beitzel. In spite of her painful illness, Perry attend the state competition in 2023 but was hospitalized after



Emily Foster (left) leads her dog Daisy May while and Avery Wilber leads her dog Frankie while performing a drill.

that until she died Oct. 21 last year.

Beitzel said Perry’s death was a big loss to the 4-H dog community. “She was very special, very inspiring” for what she continued to do for the dog program in spite of her own personal challenges. The 4-H youth “all loved her, and loved how she made them a priority.”

This year’s Jefferson County drill team was called the “Aimee Perry Dream Team” to honor and remember Perry’s role in the program.

Beitzel said the team had no expectations of winning the state championship this year. In fact, after the drill team performed in the competition, they weren’t sure if they were good enough to even place. “They huddled up, consoling each other, saying ‘we feel good about what we did,

we did this for Aimee. It doesn’t matter what we got.’ They were united. Friends. Hard workers. Encouragers.”

When then the results were announced, the team scored 137 points out 150 to win the state championship.

“We were all at the hotel celebrating after they won” when they saw a double rainbow, said Copeland. She noted it was the day that the double rainbow was seen throughout the state. “People will tell you everybody had that rainbow that day, but we know it was her, and she sent it for us.”

Copeland said it was no easy task for the drill team to win the state championship. “Some of the group are performing sign language to the music while their dogs are staying, while others are performing maneuvers



Members of the Jefferson County 4-H drill team and their dogs make an entrance including (from left): Gabe Pedigo with Newman, Esme Reece with Gus, Clayton Couch with Mercury, and Simeon Ball with Max.

with their dogs. This is a very difficult environment for the dogs. It was a large venue with over 375 dogs there, and lots of distractions.

“The more we do, and we do accurately, the more points we get,” said Beitzel, noting the dogs are judged on discipline, teamwork and more. Jefferson County’s team benefited by not receiving any penalties.

To get to that point, the youth practiced with their dogs at least three nights per week for a total of six to eight hours — putting in the work that led to their success, said Beitzel. “This is an extraordinary group of kids. Their dedication and teamwork were impeccable.”

Alysha Reece, who was captain of the 2010 state championship, now helps with the drill team as

the adult leader. The drill team’s show was written by Beitzel, Bladen and senior 4-H member Faith Day, captain of the drill team. Beitzel put together the music and designed the show from selections of “The Lion King.” Day and Bladen incorporated the dog obedience exercises.

Members of the team and their dogs are: Day with Kasey, Simeon Ball with Max, Rebecca Ball with Ryo, Clayton Couch with Mercury, Emily Foster with Daisy May, Esme Reece with Gus, Jenna Renfrow with Bear, Rosemary Couch with Sophie, Gabe Pedigo with Newman, Avery Wilber with Frankie, and Raelea Frey with Boss. Also competing for Jefferson County were Lexis Barker with Gizmo and Addy Reece with Ollie.

# Chautauqua reports successful event in spite of wet weather

**BY BOB DEMAREE**

Wet weather from remnants of Hurricane Helene didn’t prevent last month’s Madison Chautauqua Festival of Arts from being a success despite a smaller crowd.

Chautauqua Coordinator Kara Hinze gave an update at Monday’s meeting of Visit Madison Inc., reporting that sales were strong for the 115 artists and craftsmen who attended with some performing even better than 2023 when weather conditions were ideal all weekend.

This year’s Chautauqua, held Sept. 28-29, followed a windy Friday that delayed vendors from setting up their booths and wet weather on Saturday, traditionally the biggest day of the event. There were 209 artists committed to the event but 94 opted to cancel due to the weather conditions.

On Saturday of Chautauqua weekend, when it rained throughout the day, Placer.ai data showed 19,400 visitors braved the wet weather with umbrellas in hand. That number is about half of 2023 when good weather conditions

brought out 39,500 visitors.

Hinze said the relocation of some vendors to First Street between Broadway and Elm streets was successful, with the Chautauqua previously utilizing Vine Street between Main and Second streets. The change was made at the request of the city to create better traffic flow in the downtown area by retaining Second Street, which was previously blocked by the Chautauqua footprint, for traffic.

Also, portable wireless network to address WiFi connectivity worked well in its first deployment under festival conditions. Hinze acknowledged that having fewer artists needing internet connectivity to run credit card sales probably made for a smoother first test of the system.

However, VMI Executive Director Andrew Forrester said the smaller crowd did impact Chautauqua sales in that official merchandise sales were down this year.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS:**

- With VMI committing in August to the purchase two trolleys — one new and one used — the

used trolley is expected to arrive later this month.

The trolley, which will have about 16,000 miles on it, is being purchased from a private company that is currently operating teh vehicle in Baltimore. The private company has a new replacement trolley coming, and once that vehicle arrives, the used trolley will come to Madison.

The two trolleys VMI is purchasing will replace two older vehicles that are more than 40 years old. The new trolley is expected to arrive in May. Some of the funding is coming from a Lilly Endowment Inc. Community Collaboration grant that was recently awarded to Hanover College.

- Forrester remarked on the recent success of conferences that were held in Madison — the Indiana Conference of Mayors in August and the Preserving Historic Places Conference that involved multiple sites in Jefferson County in October.

“The power of conferences is that they create future visitations” for people who want to return to spend time in the city, Forrester said.

# Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour sells 1,000 tickets

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

With the 42nd Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes coming to Madison later this month, event coordinator Terri Suiter said 1,025 tickets have already been sold.

“This cherished Madison Christmas tradition offers residents a chance to showcase their homes and allows visitors a glimpse into the city’s vibrant history,” said Suiter. “It’s a truly magical experience for everyone.”

The annual event will take place on back-to-back weekends: Nov. 29-30 and Dec. 6-7. This year’s tour features a blend of six private homes — all decorated for the holidays — alongside five historic sites, one bonus site and three hospitality locations offering refreshments and restrooms.

The tour includes: the

Taylor Home, 1014 West Main Street; Bladen Home, 625 West Second Street; Ohlendorf Home, 416 West Second Street; Bellamy Home, 409 East Third Street; Hoffstadt-Chambers Home, 521 East Main Street, and Richwood on the River located in Kentucky across the Milton-Madison bridge at 1233 KY 36, Milton.

The bonus site is Alcorn Sage, Swartz, Magrath Historic Law Office at 1 West Sixth Street.

The historic sites include: Madison Railroad Station, 615 West First Street; Lanier Mansion State Historic Site, 601 West First Street; Shrewsbury-Windle House, 301 West First Street; Masonic Schofield House, 217 West Second Street; and Christ Episcopal Church, 506 Mulberry Street.

The Hospitality sites include: Olde Tyme Marketplace, 801 West Main Street; Lumber Mill Antique Mall, 721 West First Street; and The Pearl Plate, 214 East Main Street.

Staging the event requires the efforts of 143 volunteers of which Suiter said only 61 are currently committed. Interested volunteers should call VMI at 812-265-2956.

Tickets are currently on sale at [www.Nights-beforeChristmas.com](http://www.Nights-beforeChristmas.com). Cost is \$35 for adults and \$5 for children (ages 5-12). Online orders will be charged an additional handling fee per ticket and all tickets will be available at the “Will Call” location at 601 West First Street.

All proceeds from the tour benefit the non-profit organizations that participate in the event.

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# MCS board presents tentative agreement with teachers

## Scott to vacate leadership post due to ethics violation

BY BOB DEMAREE

A tentative one-year agreement with the Madison Teachers Association was presented Monday in a special meeting of the Madison school board.

The new collective bargaining agreement will be considered at the next regular school board meeting, which is scheduled

for Wednesday, Nov. 13, at 6 p.m.

The proposed agreement provides an average increase of 3.3% to base pay. Teachers with more than 21 years will get an average increase of \$1,811 to their base. Additionally, all teachers will receive a \$1,500 stipend.

There are several extra-curricular activity items including establishing a mentor leader with three levels, junior high dramatics programs, elementary Unified sports positions and a high school assistant swim

coach position. The school corporation is also picking up the 2% premium increase in insurance.

**SCOTT CITED FOR ETHICS VIOLATION**

Board member Michael Scott was cited for violating the board's code of ethics policy for his comments at the Oct. 2 school board meeting in which he endorsed two candidates for Madison school board for the upcoming general election on Tuesday.

Board President John Wallace stated, "Scott gave

his personal thoughts on an upcoming board election in which three candidates are vying for two positions. According to the board of trustees policy, each member shall avoid giving their political views while acting in an official capacity. Mr. Scott failed to follow this policy by endorsing two candidates. Vice President Scott has expressed his deep remorse for his oversight."

Scott then read a statement, "I made a significant mistake by expressing my opinion on the upcoming election. My opinion wasn't

needed and I violated our Code of Ethics Policy. First, let me sincerely apologize to my fellow Board members, MCS employees and Jefferson County voters for my actions and behavior. I can assure you this type of mistake will never happen again."

Scott said the ethics violation warranted more than just an apology and vacated his leadership position on the board and forfeited some of his compensation for board service.

"There needs to be a significant punishment for neg-

ative actions to help serve as a reminder not to duplicate mistakes," Scott said. "I have notified my fellow board members and MCS Leadership that I will forfeit my fourth quarter stipend of \$500. In addition, I respectfully ask to be replaced immediately as the vice president of the school board. Under the circumstances, I wish to hold no offices for the remainder of my term which expires in December 2026 ... I need to be smarter and I need to choose my words more carefully in the future. I'm sorry."

# MARCHING BAND SHOWCASE



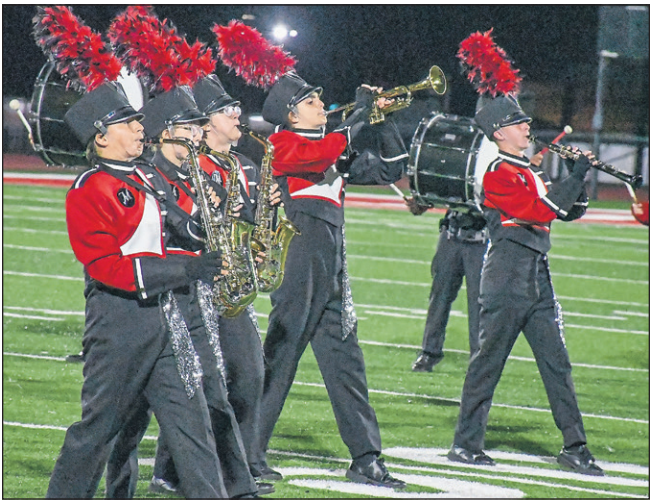
Members of Shawe's Color Guard — (from left) Keegan McMahan, Bailey Riley, Fallon Garcia and Stella Ho — perform a flag routine as Shawe Memorial High School's Band of Gold participated in the Madison Marching Showcase at Cub Field.



Sheryl Mitchell performs with her flag with the Southwestern High School Rebel Regiment during the Madison Marching Showcase last week at the Madison Consolidated High School football field.



Shawe Memorial High School's Band of Gold performed during the Madison Marching Showcase last week. Members of the brass section are pictured including (from left) trombone players Cal Cranney, Samara Duquette and Francisco Oranges-Rodriguez.



Madison Consolidated High School hosted the Madison Marching Showcase last week at Cub Field in which the Marching Cubs also performed. Pictured are (from left) — saxophone players Silas Woodruff, Lillian Jung and Aaron Brown, trumpet player Carson Nelson and clarinet Eann Thacker.



The Switzerland County Marching Band performed at last week's Madison Marching Showcase including (from left) Nathan Hildebrand on clarinet; Piper Simpkins on flute; and Hannah Thomas on mellophone.



The Madison Marching Cubs performed during last week's Madison Marching Showcase. Pictured (from left) are color guard members Jazmine Bell with flag, tuba player Lief Estes and color guard member Ashley Mireles.

Trimble County's Marching Raiders participated in last week's Madison Marching Showcase including (from left) — Ivan Galvan on the sousaphone, Cooper Cull on snare, Tyler Hackney and Trevor Bryan, both on trumpet, and Cecilia Nash on flute.



The Rebel Regiment from Southwestern — including (from left) Toryonia Jones-Smith, Violet Stevens, Sarah Whalen, Sheryl Mitchell, Alexandria Lawson, Logan Carson and Mila Boscia and partially hidden in back Nathaniel Wirth and Kayla Boscia — march onto Madison Consolidated High School's Cub Field to perform at last week's Madison Marching Showcase.

## CHAPPELL

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to the future, I hope I can get my own career to take off, and I'd like to start playing more festivals and special events. I'm fortunate to live right here in this hotbed of music culture and activity. Short of going to Nashville or something like that, this

is a great place to build a music career."

In case you haven't heard (and frankly, it's hard to believe you haven't somehow heard or seen a sign or Facebook ad or heard it on the radio) this weekend is the MadHop Music Festival. It's basically the most intense single day of live music Madison has ever experienced, with 30 bands playing in seven different venues, all day Saturday. If you enjoy live

music, then you will totally love it and agree with their slogan "Best Day Ever!" It's a ticketed event, of course, with tickets available at MadTixEvents.com. But if you are more into FREE, there is also a Kick-Off music show Friday night with a couple of great bands, in the big parking lot at Mulberry and Third streets, just behind the Main Street buildings.

Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man

and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

### MUSIC EVENTS SCHEDULE

**Friday, November 1**

First Street Saloon — Hank Haggard & the Tennessee Werewolves

Riverboat Inn — Joe & Deano (7-10 p.m.)

Tailgators — Karaoke

(9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

Central — DJ Stingy (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

Rivertown Grill — Vaguely Familiar (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

The Drake — Justin Chappell Band (8-11 p.m.)

Parking lot at Mulberry and Third — MadHop Kick Off Party (6 p.m.)

**Saturday, November 2**

Downtown Madison — MadHop Music Fest (11 a.m.-7 p.m.)

Fairgrounds — For

the Love of Bluegrass (& Gospel & Country) (2-6 p.m.)

Central — Penny Royal (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

Rivertown Grill — BON/DC (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

Tailgators — Ragtop Deluxe (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

The Taproom — Robbie Cox Blues Band (9 p.m.-Midnight)

**Sunday, November 3**

Rivertown Grill — Darryl Hewitt (7-10 p.m.)



# MadHop to fill downtown Madison with music Saturday

**BY BOB DEMAREE**

There will be music throughout downtown Madison for the MadHop Music Festival on Saturday with more than 30 acts performing at seven venues.

The music festival, which began in 2019, will feature music at seven locations as well as several buskers and street performers placed strategically in the downtown area.

A free kickoff event is set for Friday night at the Grote Stage, a tent in the city parking lot at the 400 block of Mulberry Street. Slick River Rockets will perform from 7 p.m. to 7:45 p.m., and Buffalo Wabs and The Price Hill Hustle will perform from 8 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

This year's MadHop includes two new venues in historic Madison buildings — the Ohio Theatre and Windle Auditorium. The Ohio Theatre, built in 1938, has been undergoing restoration by the non-profit, Friends of the Ohio Theatre, including most recently refurbishing the facade. Windle Auditorium, built in 1835, was originally the Second Presbyterian Church, and now owned by Historic Madison Inc.

Other venues include the tent stage off Mulberry Street as well as local businesses Electric Lady, Off Broadway Taproom, Red Bicycle Hall and Thomas Family Winery.

There will also be an area called the "Rabbit Hole," located behind

House of Jane, which is the alley across the parking lot from the Grote Stage. Jane Vonderheide, who is organizing the Rabbit Hole, said local musicians will perform there on Saturday in between acts on the Grote Stage. "It's just going to be an artsy, colorful, cool place" to be during the event, she said.

Music on Saturday begins at 11 a.m. and continues until the final act on the tent stage with Sundry Best from 6 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Other performers on the tent stage include The Montvales at 11 a.m, Maria Carelli at 12:35 p.m., The Local Honeys at 2:20 p.m. and Arlo McKinley at 4:15 p.m.

Performers at Red Bicycle Hall include Buffalo Wabs and The Price Hill Hustle, 11:20 a.m.; The Tillers, 1:05 p.m.; Gabe Lee, 2:45 p.m.; and Kindred Valley, 4:30 p.m.

Performers at Electric Lady include Darrin Hacquard, 11:30 a.m.; Laid Back Country Picker, 1:15 p.m.; Chicago Farmer and The Fieldnotes, 2:55 p.m.; and BG Johnson's Big Brass Band, 4:40 p.m.

Performers at Off Broadway Taproom include Slapstick Rehab, 11 a.m.; Trevor Toms, 12:45 p.m.; Danny Flanigan, 2:25 p.m.; Jane Rose and The Deadends, 4:10 p.m.

Performers at Thomas Family Winery include Sonya Moomaw with Roman Counterman, 11:20 a.m.; Anthony Ray Wright, 1:05 p.m.; Bren-



MadHop 2024 logo

nan Edwards, 2:45 p.m.; and Mike Oberst and Justine Cefalu, 4:30 p.m.

Performers at Windle Auditorium include Brennan Edwards, 11 a.m.; Northern Kentucky Brotherhood Singers, 12:45 p.m.; Willy Tea Taylor, 2:25 p.m.; and Whiskey Bent Valley Boys, 4:10 p.m.

Performers at the Ohio Theatre include Jimmy Davis and The Mercury 7, 11:10 a.m.; Rusty Bladen, 12:55 p.m.; Shelby Lore, 2:35 p.m.; and Carriers, 4:20 p.m.

Mulberry Street between Main and Third streets will be closed during MadHop to provide a location for four food trucks.

Tickets are available through Madtix from a link off the madhop-musicfest.com website. Will call is located at the Grote stage.

## ELECTION

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Lancaster Township

- Rykers Ridge Fire Department, 2834 North Rykers Ridge Road, precinct Madison Township 1
- Madison Township Fire Department, 3413 North Michigan Road, Madison, precincts Madison Township 3 and Monroe Township
- Brooksbury/Madison Township Fire Department, 302 South Brooksbury Main Street, Madison, precinct Milton Township
- Kent Fire Department, 8250 West Kent Blankenship Street, Madison, precincts Republican Township and Smyrna Township
- Community Outreach Church, 6133 South State Road 62, Lexington, precinct Saluda Township
- Canaan Community Academy, 8775 North Canaan Main Street, Canaan, precinct Shelby Township

The top ticket on the ballot is the Presidential election between Democrat Kamala Harris and Republican Donald Trump, a former president and unsuccessful candidate for president as well as Chase Oliver, Libertarian, Robert F. Kennedy Jr., We the People Party, Claudia De La Cruz, Party for Socialism and Liberation, Peter Son-ski, American Solidarity, and 11 independent candidates.

Other elections for voters in Jefferson County include:

**Indiana U.S. Senator:** Valerie McCray., Democrat; Jim Banks, Republican; Andrew Horning, Libertarian; and two independent candidates Antonio Xavier Alvarez and Phil Beachy.

**Indiana Governor:** Jennifer McCormick, Demo-

crat; Mike Braun, Republican; Donald Rainwater, Libertarian; and Christopher Ryan Stried, independent.

**Indiana State Attorney General:** Destiny Wells, Democrat; and Todd Rokita, Republican.

**U.S. Congressional Representative District 9:** Tim Peck, Democrat; Erin Houchin, Republican; and Russ Brooksbank, Libertarian.

**State Representative, District 66 (Hanover and Saluda townships):** Jennifer David, Democrat, and Zach Payne, Republican.

**State Representative, District 67 (Madison, Monroe, Republican, Smyrna, Graham, Lancaster, Shelby townships):** Alex Zimmerman, Republican.

**State Representative, District 68 (Milton Township):** Lisa Barker, Democrat, and Garrett Bascom, Republican.

**Circuit Court Judge:** D.J. Mote, Republican.

**Circuit Coroner:** Joshua Daniel Webb, Republican.

**County Recorder:** Jenny Beverly, Democrat, and Amy Storm Stephens, Republican.

**County Surveyor:** Mike Pittman, Republican.

**County Treasurer:** Meghan Crowley Hoskins, Republican.

**County Commissioner, Lower District:** David Bramer, Republican.

**County Commissioner, Middle District:** Robert Little, Republican.

**County Council At Large (vote for 3):** Gary Copeland, Pam Crozier and Heather Traylor Foy, all Republicans.

**Madison school board District 1 (choose two):** Dustin Bentz, Tanya Burnette and David Storie.

**Southwestern school board Republican Township (choose one):** Jennifer Burgert, Tina Hardy and Jonathon Simpson.

# Madison man arrested on child exploitation, pornography charges

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

A Madison man was arrested Thursday on charges of child exploitation and possession of child pornography.

The investigation began in late October when Madison Police Department Det. Ricky Harris received a cyber tip regarding a possession of child sexual abuse material (CSAM) involving children believed to be less than



Sean Michael Kellen

12 years of age. The cyber tip was received as part of MPD's partnership with the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force.

Through the course of Harris' investigation, he was able to quickly develop a suspect, Sean Michael Kellen, 35, Madison, and obtain a search warrant for Kellen's residence. Harris later located, interviewed and

arrested Kellen on two separate charges of child exploitation and possession of child pornography, both Level 5 felonies.

Kellen is currently being held in the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center without bond while he awaits an initial hearing.

Harris was assisted in his investigation by MPD Det. Phillip Wimpee and the Jefferson County Prosecutor's Office.

## Why Retirement Literacy Matters More Than Ever



### Layin' it on the line

By Stephen Dybwad  
Retirement Planning/  
Wealth Management

Retirement literacy is a critical component of financial education, focusing on the knowledge and understanding necessary to make informed decisions about retirement planning. It encompasses a wide range of topics, from understanding retirement savings accounts, such as 401(k)s and IRAs, to grasping the nuances of Social Security benefits, Medicare, investment strategies, and income withdrawal strategies in retirement. As the landscape of retirement planning becomes increasingly complex, the importance of being well-informed cannot be overstated. However, studies and surveys indicate that many Americans may not possess the retirement literacy required to secure their financial futures.

Retirement literacy means having the ability to effectively manage and plan for one's financial needs in retirement, ensuring a stable and secure lifestyle without income from employment. This involves not only saving enough money but also understanding how to invest those savings, minimize taxes on retirement income, and calculate the amount of money needed to cover retirement expenses. Additionally, it involves knowledge about timing

retirement, including when to start taking Social Security benefits and understanding the types of health insurance available in retirement, such as Medicare and supplemental policies. Despite its importance, many Americans lack sufficient retirement literacy.

A study by the American College of Financial Services found that a large majority of Americans failed a basic test on retirement literacy, highlighting significant gaps in knowledge. This lack of literacy can lead to several pitfalls, including inadequate savings, poor investment choices, and a misunderstanding of retirement expenses, which can result in financial insecurity during what should be the golden years of retirement.

Several factors contribute to the low levels of retirement literacy in the United States:

1. The complexity of financial products and retirement strategies can be overwhelming for many individuals.
2. There is a lack of comprehensive financial education in schools and the workplace, leaving many without the necessary tools to plan effectively for retirement.
3. The shift from defined benefit plans, such as pensions, to defined contribution plans, like 401(k)s, has placed more responsibility on individuals to manage their retirement savings, further underscoring the need for greater retirement literacy.

Improving retirement literacy among Americans requires a multifaceted approach. Financial education programs in schools, community centers, and workplaces can significantly increase knowledge and understanding of retirement planning. Financial institutions and government agencies can also offer resources and tools to help individuals plan for retirement, including calculators, guides, and workshops. Technology, too, offers promising solutions, with apps and online platforms providing personalized advice and educational content tailored to individual needs and goals.

Moreover, individuals can take proactive steps to improve their retirement literacy. Seeking out reputable sources of information, consulting with financial advisors, and taking advantage of educational resources provided by employers and financial institutions are all effective strategies for enhancing one's understanding of retirement planning.

In conclusion, retirement literacy is a crucial aspect of financial education that has a profound impact on the well-being of Americans in their retirement years. Despite the current challenges, there are opportunities for improvement through education, resources, and individual initiative. As the population ages and the retirement landscape continues to evolve, the need for greater retirement literacy becomes ever more pressing, highlighting the importance of ongoing efforts to educate and empower individuals to secure their financial futures.

To ensure a secure and prosperous future, we encourage you to contact a trusted financial advisor today and take the first step towards a well-planned retirement. Don't leave your financial well-being to chance—seek expert advice to navigate the complexities of retirement planning with confidence.

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MADISON COURIER GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF YEAR

Ayler’s determination drives the Cubs to greatness

**BY DAVID CAMPBELL**  
Every successful team needs a Kyra Ayler on their side. Not because she’s a great player — which she is — or that she is incredibly knowledgeable about the game — which she is — but because when the lights shine the brightest, she responds and does so with ruthless efficiency, all with a smile on her face.  
For those reasons and others, the Madison Consolidated High School junior was the easy choice for this year’s Madison Courier Girls Soccer Player of the Year award. She didn’t just lead the area in scoring by a wide margin, she was also the main cog in the best girls soccer team in school history.  
“Kyra is a player that embodies an unyielding competitive spirit that pushes her teammates to elevate their performance on the pitch. Her intense focus and drive create an electric atmo-

sphere during matches, inspiring others to rise to the occasion,” Madison coach Marcus Hale said. “With a relentless work ethic and determination, she leads by example, often taking on challenges that motivate those around her to dig deeper. Her passion for the game is contagious, fostering a cohesive team dynamic where everyone strives for excellence together. As a result of this collective effort, the team accomplished all of the goals for the year, and it has been my privilege and honor to be a part of it.”  
Ayler’s success has been no surprise. After a stellar junior high career that saw her average more than four goals per game, she burst on the varsity scene as a freshman, setting the Madison single-season school scoring record with 31 goals.  
She sat out her sophomore season for personal reasons but returned with gusto this year,

breaking her own school record with 35 goals — good for 13th in the state of Indiana — and adding 12 assists as Madison set a school record with 14 wins and claimed its first sectional championship since 2002.  
Ayler said that she and the team got off to a slow start as they grew accustomed to first-year coach Hale, but when they got into a groove, they were nearly unstoppable.  
“At the beginning, we didn’t have very much time to practice through the summer because of the new coach and figuring that out. But at the end, it was well worth it,” Ayler said. “I think we finally figured each other out and we got it going.”  
While Ayler was the main cog, Madison was far from a one-player team. That depth showed in a 6-0 win over Charlestown in the sectional semifinals that saw the Cubs get goals from four different players, none

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Nina Campbell  
Madison Consolidated High School junior Kyra Ayler is the Madison Courier Girls Soccer Player of the Year.

MADISON COURIER GIRLS SOCCER ALL-COURIER AREA TEAM

Name	School	Cl.	Pos.	Key Stats
Maria Ameca-Mendoza	Shawe	So.	MF	18 gls, 8 asst
Kyra Ayler	Madison	Jr.	F	35 gls, 12 asst
Avy Burkholder	Switzerland Co.	Sr.	MF	11 gls, 6 asst
Peighton Chatham	Madison	Fr.	GK	69 svs, 9 so
Brinley Couch	Carroll Co.	Jr.	MF	10 gls, 6 asst
Paige Earls	Switzerland Co.	So.	GK	45 svs, 4 so
Ava Flint	Shawe	Fr.	GK/F	59 svs, 5 gls
Dellah Gibson	Madison	Jr.	D	1 goal
Makayla Keithley	Carroll Co.	Jr.	F	17 gls, 6 asst
Justice Kuntz	Shawe	Fr.	F	17 gls, 25 asst
Emma Parsons	Switzerland Co.	Jr.	F	25 gls, 18 asst
Kamea Phelps	Madison	Fr.	F	10 gls, 2 asst
Kenzie Smith	Madison	So.	F	22 gls, 8 asst
Emma South	Switzerland Co.	So.	MF	18 gls, 14 asst
• Player of the Year				

HANOVER ROUNDUP: Panthers clinch No. 2 seed in men’s soccer tourney

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**  
Hanover men’s soccer posted a 3-1 win at Franklin on Tuesday in the Panthers’ regular-season finale.  
Hanover ends the regular season with an 8-5-4 record including 6-1-2 in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference. The Panthers will be the No. 2 seed in the HCAC Tournament which starts this weekend.  
Andrew Pavlisko scored in the 15th minute to give Hanover a 1-0 lead and Miles McMillen and Matt Burchett scored in the second half to clinch the win. Louan Seveno assisted on McMillen’s goal.  
Hanover out-shot the winless Grizzlies 16-2 and goalie Ben Howard had one save.  
As the number two seed, Hanover will have a first-round bye and host the winner between Tran-

sylvania and Bluffton on Tuesday at 2 p.m. The championship game will be on Saturday, Nov. 9.  
**WOMEN’S SOCCER BEATS FRANKLIN**  
Hanover women’s soccer scored a 3-0 win at home against Franklin on Wednesday in the regular-season finale.  
The Panthers are now 11-5 overall and finish 6-3 in the HCAC. The Panthers will be the No. 4 seed in the HCAC Tournament which begins on Saturday.  
Beth Cook scored twice and Izzy Phillips had a goal for the Panthers. Callen Johnson and Emma Gill each had assists.  
Hanover outshot Franklin 29-3 overall and 19-3 on goal. Emma Patterson had two saves for the Panthers.

Hanover will host fifth-seeded Anderson on Saturday in the HCAC Tournament quarterfinals. The winner will travel to top-seeded Mount St. Joseph in the semifinals on Wednesday.  
**VOLLEYBALL FALLS TO MOUNT**  
Hanover volleyball dropped a five-set battle at Mount St. Joseph on Wednesday.  
The Panthers lost 23-25, 25-13, 25-17, 21-25, 16-14.  
Elliot Mays had 16 kills for Hanover, Madison Schicker had 16 digs, Molly Schwarzkopf had six blocks and Megan Vogel had 24 assists.  
Hanover, now 19-6 overall and 3-3 HCAC, travels to Anderson on Saturday and hosts Transylvania on Wednesday.

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

<b>FRIDAY, NOV. 1</b> <b>FOOTBALL</b> Madison at Scottsburg, IHSAA Class 3A Sectional, 7 p.m. Trimble Co. hosts Dayton, 7:30 p.m.	<b>FOOTBALL</b> Hanover hosts Bluffton, 1:30 p.m. <b>SOCCER</b> Hanover women hosts Anderson, HCAC Tournament, 1 p.m. <b>VOLLEYBALL</b> Hanover at Anderson, 2 p.m.
<b>SATURDAY, NOV. 2</b> <b>BASKETBALL</b> Madison girls at Eastern (Pekin) (scrimmage), 11 a.m. Southwestern girls at Austin (scrimmage), 2 p.m. <b>CROSS COUNTRY</b> Hanover, HCAC Championships at Shelbyville, noon Trimble Co. girls, KHSAA Class 1A State Championships at Lexington, 3 p.m.	<b>SUNDAY, NOV. 3</b> No local events <b>MONDAY, NOV. 4</b> No local events <b>TUESDAY, NOV. 5</b> <b>SOCCER</b> Hanover men hosts Transylvania/Bluffton, HCAC Tournament, 2 p.m.

Dodgers clinch World Series as Yankees blow 5-run lead



Ashley Landis — staff, ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Blake Treinen celebrates the end of the eighth inning in Game 5 of the baseball World Series against the New York Yankees, Wednesday, in New York. The Dodgers went on to win and clinch the series 4-1.

**BY MIKE FITZPATRICK**  
AP BASEBALL WRITER  
NEW YORK — Just when it appeared Aaron Judge and the New York Yankees were right back in this World Series, they all but gave away the trophy.  
An epic meltdown of defensive miscues, beginning with Judge’s embarrassing error in center field, helped the Los Angeles Dodgers rally in a five-run fifth inning that tied the score at 5.  
Young shortstop Anthony Volpe and ace pitcher Gerrit Cole also committed costly mistakes. New York’s bullpen squandered a one-run lead in the eighth, and the Dodgers held on for a 7-6 victory Wednesday night in Game 5 that wrapped up their eighth championship and second in five years.  
“This is like, as bad as it gets,” Cole said. “It’s the worst feeling that you can have.”  
Finally back in their first World Series since 2009, the Yankees didn’t last long.  
It was the latest autumn failure for baseball’s most successful franchise — one that used to own October.

Not anymore. Not lately, at least. And in the Yankees’ universe, 15 years is a long time between titles.  
“We didn’t get the job done,” Judge said. “We made some mistakes along the way that hurt us.”  
On deck, an offseason of uncertainty as New York tries to retain free agent slugger Juan Soto, who is expected to have several eager suitors and command a massive contract.  
“I’m really happy with the city, with the team, how these guys do, but at the end of the day, we will see,” Soto said. “We’re going to look at every situation, every offer that we get and take a decision from there.”  
“I feel like every team has the same opportunities,” he added. “I don’t want to say anybody has any advantage because at the end of the day we’re going to look at what they have and how much they want me.”  
Judge wants Soto back in the Big Apple.  
“I think everybody in this

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# Bengals turn focus to Raiders

Team trying to keep season from slipping away

BY MITCH STACY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals thought they were in a good spot.

After starting the season 1-3, the Bengals won back-to-back games and had a chance to get to .500 with a home game against the Philadelphia Eagles.

Instead, that turned into the worst loss of the season, with turnovers and the continuing lack of a running game keeping Cincinnati (3-5) winless at home and still with lots of problems to solve.

The game was tied as late as the third quarter, but Philadelphia scored the last 20 points. The Bengals on their last three possessions turned the ball over on downs, threw an interception and fumbled the ball away as the Eagles ran away with the 37-17 win.

Quarterback Joe Burrow finished 26 for 37 for 234 yards with a touchdown and the fourth-quarter interception.

“We’ve just got to take responsibility for how we’re playing individually,” Burrow said. “You’ve just got to focus on what you can do better to help your team win. I don’t think anybody was good enough today.”

Burrow doesn’t see the season as lost.

“I think 10 wins usually gets you in (to the playoffs), so we’ve got to win seven out of nine. That’s doable, so we’ll go from there,” he said. “We’ve done it before. I know the players we’ve got in there. You’ve just got to treat it week by week. Any game is winnable.”

### WHAT’S WORKING

Cincinnati started quickly, for a change. The opening drive went 70 yards, took more than 10 minutes off the clock and ended with a 2-yard TD pass from Burrow to Ja’Marr Chase. Cincinnati was 5 for 5 on third down on the drive,



Carolyn Kaster — staff, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cincinnati Bengals running back Chase Brown, left, dives in for a touchdown in front of Philadelphia Eagles safety C.J. Gardner-Johnson (8) during the second half of an NFL football game, Sunday in Cincinnati.

and 10 for 13 for the game.

### WHAT NEEDS HELP

The ground game continues to be stuck in the mud. Chase Brown, Zack Moss and Burrow ran 20 times for 58 yards, an average of 2.9 yards per carry. The longest run was eight yards, and that was by Burrow. It doesn’t help that the Bengals’ best offensive lineman, Orlando Brown Jr., left the game with a knee injury.

### STOCK UP

Chase caught nine of his 11 targets for 54 yards and a touchdown. He has at least one touch-

down catch in five of the team’s eight games. ... Burrow’s 70.3% completion rate was his best since the 41-38 overtime loss to Baltimore on Oct. 6.

### STOCK DOWN

The defense, which played well in the two previous games, allowed the Eagles nearly 400 yards of offense. Jalen Hurts went 16 for 20 passing for 236 yards and a touchdown, and he rushed for three TDs. Led by Saquon Barkley’s 108 yards, the Eagles rushed for a total of 161. ... Evan McPherson missed another kick from 50-plus yards. He missed

only two from that range over his first two seasons. Over the last two seasons, he has missed eight. He is 11 for 15 in field goals this season and has missed one PAT.

### INJURIES

WR Tee Higgins missed the game with a quad injury. OT Brown went out with a right knee injury, with Cody Ford replacing him. There’s no word so far on whether either could play on Sunday.

### KEY NUMBER

89.8 — Average rushing yards

per game for the Bengals this season.

### NEXT STEPS

The Bengals will try to get back on track when they host the Las Vegas Raiders (2-6) on Sunday. The Raiders lost their fourth straight, falling to the Kansas City Chiefs 27-20.

“We’re better than what our record indicates, but your record is what your record is,” coach Zac Taylor said. “We’ve earned that. Again, we’ve put ourselves in a bad spot, but it’s not a spot that we can’t get ourselves out of.”

# Steichen to make QB switch because Colts want to win now

BY MICHAEL MAROT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis Colts quarterback Anthony Richardson was hurt when he was told he was being benched.

His replacement, 39-year-old Joe Flacco, tried to keep everything in perspective.

One day after news broke that Richardson, the No. 4 overall pick in the 2023 draft, had been demoted, coach Shane Steichen told reporters Flacco would remain the starter the rest of this season for one simple reason.

“It’s my obligation to 53 guys and to this organization to win football games,” Steichen said Wednesday in his first comments since making the change. “Tough decision,

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but one I felt was in the best interest of our football team.



AJ Mast — ASSOCIATED PRESS

Indianapolis Colts quarterback Anthony Richardson watches from the sideline during the second half of an NFL football game against the Miami Dolphins, Oct. 20, in Indianapolis.

# ‘The Simpsons’ to be part of Monday Night Football alternate broadcast Dec. 9

BRISTOL, Conn. — Ay, Carumba! Bart and Homer Simpson, meet “Monday Night Football.”

The Dec. 9 Monday night game between the Cincinnati Bengals and Dallas Cowboys will also air from AT&T Stadium in Springfield as part of an alternate telecast.

“The Simpsons Funday Football” telecast will be streamed on ESPN+ and Disney+ while the game airs on ESPN and ABC.

This is the second year ESPN has done an alternate broadcast for an NFL game. It used the characters from “Toy Story” for last year’s Sunday morning game from London between the Atlanta Falcons and Jacksonville Jaguars.

In this iteration, Bart will team up with the Bengals while Homer joins the Cowboys. Others Simpsons characters, includ-

ing Marge, Lisa and Maggie, will also be featured.

Producers for “The Simpsons” will also have original content for the telecast that will be utilized before, during and after the game. ESPN has been successful with alternate broadcasts of NFL games, including the “Manning-Cast” during “Monday Night Football” and playoff games.

The telecast will be entirely animated, with the players’ movements in sync with what is happening in real time on the field. That’s done through player-tracking data enabled by the NFL’s Next Gen Stats system and Beyond Sports.

Beyond Sports, a company based in the Netherlands, will mostly be responsible for the player animation and making sure the player tracking data works with the animated product.

# Siakam scores 29, tiebreaking 3 to send Pacers past Celtics in OT

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INDIANAPOLIS — Pascal Siakam scored the last of his 29 points on a 3-pointer with 6.1 seconds left in overtime to give the Indiana Pacers a 135-132 victory over the previously unbeaten Boston Celtics on Wednesday night.

Siakam tied his single-game career high with six 3s and grabbed 11 rebounds. Bennedict Mathurin scored 21 of his 30 points in the second half, and Tyrese Haliburton had 17 points and 12 assists.

The victory ended Indiana’s three-game losing streak.

Boston charged back from a 19-point fourth-quarter deficit to force overtime and led 132-130 after Derrick White’s layup with 39.7 seconds to go. But Indiana scored the final five points to win.

Jayson Tatum led the Celtics with 37 points. Jaylen Brown added 25 points and had a chance to tie the score but his 3 in the waning seconds was off the mark. White finished with 23 points in

the first matchup between these teams since Boston swept Indiana in last season’s Eastern Conference finals.

### TAKEAWAYS

Celtics: Through the first four games, Boston looked like the defending NBA champs — winning three times by double figures. They weren’t dominant Wednesday, but they didn’t go down without a fight, either, the true mark of a champion.

**Pacers:** Indiana’s high-scoring, fast-paced offense reappeared. The result looked familiar, too. The Pacers finished with a season-high point total — even though they nearly threw away the contest with a rash of late turnovers.

### KEY MOMENT

Siakam scored the final five points for Indiana, tying the score on a midrange jumper with 36 seconds left before giving the Pacers

the lead for good. It wasn’t sealed until Brown’s 3 fluttered out of bounds.

### KEY STATS

Indiana produced season highs in rebounds (57) and 3-pointers made (15).

### UP NEXT

The Celtics will try to rebound Friday in Charlotte while the Pacers make their only trip this season to New Orleans on Friday.

# A month after trade, Towns looks very settled in New York

BY TIM REYNOLDS  
AP BASKETBALL WRITER

MIAMI — Someone asked coach Tom Thibodeau before New York’s game Wednesday what else he’s looking to get from Karl-Anthony Towns as this season goes along.

Thibodeau didn’t sound worried.

A couple hours later, Towns showed why.

In only his fourth game

with the Knicks, Towns went wild — 44 points, by far the most by any New York player in this still-young season — to lead his club to a 116-107 win in Miami.

He might be a perfect fit into the decades-long Knicks-Heat rivalry. Towns averages 25.4 points in his career in games at Miami, his second-highest road average against any opponent. He averages 25.8

points in games at Indiana.

“The weather,” Towns told MSG Network after the game, when asked why he likes games in Miami so much. “I was in Minnesota. It’s cold. It’s hot here. I like that.”

Towns, a former Kentucky Wildcat traded by Minnesota to New York as camps were opening about a month ago in a deal that sent fellow former Wildcat Julius Randle and Donte

DiVincenzo to the Timberwolves, wasn’t off to a bad start to the season by any measure. His first three games: 12 points, 21 points and 13 points, with two double-doubles. Not eyepopping, but not bad, either.

Game 4 of his New York career was different from the get-go.

He had 24 by halftime, kept rolling in the second half, was 17 of 25 from the floor, grabbed 13 rebounds

and had the fourth-most points ever by a Knick against the Heat in the 173rd game between the clubs. New York has won 88, Miami 85.

“I love his approach because he’s not forcing anything,” Thibodeau said. “He’s letting the game come to him. I want him to be assertive and everything, but I want him to let the game come to him. He’s a very gifted scorer, as you

saw tonight. ... He can hurt you a lot of different ways.”

There’s 78 games to go, but Towns already has an appreciation for the Knicks and what’s possible this season.

“They’re gritty. They find a way to win. They never quit,” Towns said. “Bringing that New York mentality every single night, it’s something that you recognize when you get to live in that kind of culture.”



**LOCAL LEAGUES**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 24**

**Hanover Parks Department Youth Volleyball**  
Tournament Semifinals  
K.E.Y. Manufacturing  
Purple Aces d. The Farm Off Road Family Diggin' Divas, 25-9, 25-10.  
Miller Automotive Net Ninjas d. Greves TV & Appliances Home Center One Hit Wonders, 25-27, 25-17, 15-6.  
Tournament Championship  
Purple Aces d. Net Ninjas, 25-21, 25-20

**MONDAY, OCT. 29**

**Madison Church Volleyball League**  
Results  
Praise Division Wirt

Baptist No. 1 d. Hope Valley No. 1, 19-25, 25-16, 15-10.  
Hanover Baptist d. Dupont Baptist, 25-22, 23-25, 15-12.  
Hope Valley No. 1 d. Hanover Baptist, 25-18, 25-7.  
Dupont Baptist d. Falls City No. 1, 16-25, 25-18, 15-12.  
**Hallelujah Division**  
Mt Pleasant Baptist d. Wirt Baptist No. 2, 23-25, 25-13, 15-9.  
Falls City No. 2 d. New Heart No. 2, 25-7, 25-15.  
Falls City No. 2 d. New Heart No. 1, 25-17, 25-11.  
First Baptist d. New Heart No. 1, 25-20, 25-19.  
First Baptist d. Falls City No. 3, 22-25, 25-19, 15-13.  
24/7 Life d. Hope Valley No. 2, 25-21, 22-25, 15-6.



Submitted

The K.E.Y. Manufacturing Purple Aces were the 2024 Hanover Parks Department Youth Volleyball Champions. Members of the team are (from left): Front — Koralynn Reedy, Bristol Bowman, Torie Hay and McKenzie Garvey; Back — Coach Andrea Bowman, Rilyn Kirkland, Kate Liter, Allie Price and Coach Lakin Price.



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The Miller Automotive Net Ninjas are the 2024 Hanover Parks Department Youth Volleyball Runners-Up. Members of the team are (from left): Front — Addison Fish, Kateryna Solchanyk, Alexa McGaughey, Adyson Goldman and Harper Getz; Back — Coach Kristen Fish, Jayley Bowman, Averie Hubbard and Coach Jessi Getz.

# Roster chaos from NIL money, transfer portal turn college hoops upside-down

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LAWRENCE, Kan. — KJ Adams Jr. is sitting in a corner of Hadl Auditorium, just down the hallway from Allen Fieldhouse, the historic home of the top-ranked Kansas basketball team, and the place that the senior forward has called home for the past four years.

He is a rarity these days, when players are allowed to transfer freely, often in the pursuit of lucrative name, image and likeness contracts that could make a handful of them instant millionaires. Adams joined the Jayhawks out of high school, played important minutes on a national championship team as a freshman, and has never wavered in his commitment to the program.

“I think it would be cool if more guys stayed four years,” Adams says, glancing around the room at eight newcomers — including six transfers — that form the backbone of this year’s team. “You miss all the guys that have come and gone.”

Even at Kansas, a destination school for so many, Adams has played with 32 scholarship teammates during his career.

Yet such roster change is a fact of life in major college basketball, perhaps more than in football or any other sport. Entire teams can change almost overnight, and players that started for them one season can be starting against them the next.

To wit: There were roughly 700 players who elected to transfer from Division I programs five years ago. That number nearly tripled this past offseason, a gargantuan number made even larger by upperclassmen who were granted an extra year of eligibility because their careers collided with the pandemic.

There might have been no better example than Arkansas, where John Calipari is taking over after

15 years with Kentucky.

The Hall of Fame coach arrived in Fayetteville in April to find that 13 players had transferred, graduated or quit in the days after Eric Musselman left for Southern California. Calipari was fortunate that Trevon Brazile ultimately withdrew from the NBA Draft and returned to the Razorbacks; otherwise, he would have been starting entirely from scratch.

“I met with the team,” Calipari said upon his hiring, “and there is no team.”

There is now, of course. Calipari simply did what every coach has been forced to do: He mined the transfer portal. Three of his new players were relatively easy sells, given they came along from Kentucky, and three more transfers — including the coveted guard Johnell Davis from FAU and forward Jonas Aidoo from Tennessee — eventually joined the Razorbacks.

That new-look team, incidentally, beat the top-ranked Jayhawks in a charity exhibition game last Friday night.

“It is easier to build a roster. It is infinitely harder to build a program,” Colorado coach Tad Boyle said, perhaps most succinctly summing up the thoughts of college basketball coaches everywhere, from the power conferences to the low-majors.

It’s also really stressful, and for some coaches, not what they signed up for. That was the case for Virginia coach Tony Bennett, who decided two weeks before the start of the season to retire, explaining he was better suited for the old days when he would build a program around freshmen who might stay the entire careers.

Remember those relationships that coaches began with high school kids and their families, carefully nurtured over several years of recruiting? They’ve taken a backseat to the portal, and what Iowa State women’s coach Bill

Fennelly called “speed-dating.”

“I mean, you’ve got to get moving,” he said. “They go in the portal and you better get ready, get organized and have a plan.”

It helps to have the weight of NIL money behind you, too. When the NCAA began allowing players to profit off themselves in 2021, the result was tantamount to free agency, where players are tempted by lucrative packages offered by a school’s boosters.

“You may not be able to go always get everybody you want that fits what you want because you may not quite frankly have the money for it,” Oklahoma State coach Steve Lutz said. “It’s almost like having a budget and having to prioritize who you want.”

It works both ways, though. NIL money is also a big reason some marquee players decided to stay put.

“Five years ago, I wouldn’t have been here,” said All-American guard Mark Sears, whose NIL package at No. 2 Alabama was enough to sway him to pull out of the NBA draft and return to the Crimson Tide for his final season of eligibility.

Some schools, such as Cincinnati and Iowa State, returned most of their players from last season, and they used the transfer portal to merely supplement that core. But whereas in the past they represented the majority, they now are the minority, and it has created a college basketball season full of teams that look nothing like they did a year ago.

With so few rules in place, it might be that way next year — and the year after that, too.

“Really everyone is trying to do things year-to-year,” said Baylor coach Scott Drew, who had three players transfer out and four in since last season. “I don’t think anyone has a long-term plan until someone knows what the long-term rules will be.”

# NCAA freshman class features dynamic duo

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It’s not that uncommon for blueblood programs to have two five-star prospects arrive on campus the same year.

It rarely happens at schools that don’t have that kind of tradition. And that’s what makes No. 25 Rutgers one of the most intriguing stories of the season as the Scarlet Knights welcome Ace Bailey and Dylan Harper.

Bailey was the nation’s No. 2 prospect in his high school class and Harper was No. 3, according to composite rankings of recruiting sites compiled by 247Sports. The impact they can have as freshman teammates became apparent Oct. 17 when Rutgers faced St. John’s in a preseason exhibition. Rutgers lost 91-85, but Bailey scored 25 points and Harper added 20.

“Dylan, for a freshman, he’s got so much control,” St. John’s coach Rick Pitino said after the game. “He plays like a senior. He’s so much under control. He’s got a lot of Clyde Frazier in him, the way he plays. He was amazing. Ace just has great talent. Both of them are great. I think they’re terrific. Obviously they deserve the ranking that they’re getting.”

Bailey, who is 6-10, averaged 33.4 points, 15.5 rebounds, 3.9 assists and 2.9 blocks while winning a state title his senior year at McEachern High School in

Powder Springs, Georgia.

Harper, the son of former NBA guard Ron Harper, had 23 points per game his senior year at Don Bosco Prep in Ramsey, New Jersey.

“They’re great kids, first and foremost,” Rutgers coach Steve Pikiell said. “They’re really good passers. They’ve got to learn some things. College defense is something they’re going to continue to get better at. But they’re exciting.”

247Sports director of scouting Adam Finkelstein said Harper is more polished at this point, but Bailey has the greater upside.

“I think it’s very possible that Harper is the more consistently productive college freshman and Bailey gets picked higher in the draft,” Finkelstein said. “I think Bailey, with a great year, could contend for that No. 1 overall pick. Harper, it wouldn’t surprise me if he can contend with (Duke’s) Cooper (Flagg) to be as impactful a college freshman as there is in the country.”

**Some other freshmen who should make a major impact this season:**

**JALIL BETHEA, G, MIAMI**  
Bethea, ranked seventh in the 247Sports composite, is a 6-5 guard from Philadelphia who had 22.7 points, 6 rebounds and 5 assists per game his senior year at Archbishop Wood. He was

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# Indiana’s 8-0 start should put Hoosiers on national TV more

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Indiana has made only two network television appearances in the first season of the Big Ten’s media deal with Fox, NBC and CBS.

The Hoosiers, though, should receive more national recognition with crucial games against Michigan next Saturday and Ohio State on Nov. 23.

Indiana’s first 8-0 start since 1967 is one of many pieces the conference and the networks must work with when determining what matchups to put into the top spots.

Fox has the early afternoon window, while CBS is in its first season at 3:30 p.m. after many years of carrying the SEC. NBC is in its second season with the prime-time package. It is the first time a conference has had a weekly package with three broadcast networks.

“The whole design here was for the top three games every week to be on broadcast tele-

vision. And as we know, broadcast television continues to aggregate massive amounts of eyeballs for these big-time live events,” said CBS Sports executive vice president of programming Dan Weinberg. “I think the conference recognized the potential upside of that model with how successful the NFL has been. I think the structure of what they tried to create is what we’re seeing in practice, and we view it as a positive with even more upside to come over these next several years.”

There was already plenty of intrigue going into the season with the addition of Oregon, Southern California, UCLA and Washington. The Ducks rising to the top spot in the AP Top 25 has been another benefit of the expansion.

Oregon, Penn State and Ohio State occupy three of the top four spots in this week’s poll, and the Hoosiers are ranked 13th.

“I think the depth and the breadth of matchups with these four addition-

al teams coming in has provided an opportunity to spread the proverbial peanut butter around a little bit more,” said Justin Byczek, NBC Sports’ senior vice president of programming. “We’ve been able to drive the best matchups every week into our respective windows.”

Oregon makes its second straight appearance on CBS Saturday when it visits Michigan. It will be the fifth time in seven weeks that CBS will have a matchup with one of the Big Ten’s West Coast schools.

Last Saturday marked the first time since the 2007 Sun Bowl that the Ducks were on CBS.

“We talked about it prior to the start of the season when we were looking over the composite schedule. On any given week, there are matchups on paper that would be Rose Bowls in previous years. And that’s just exciting,” Weinberg said.

Oregon, though, won’t

be on network television on Nov. 9, with their game against Maryland already slated for Big Ten Network.

Each team is guaranteed at least two games on Big Ten Network, one of which must be a conference matchup.

All three networks have taken a collaborative approach in securing matchups. Fox has the top three picks in the preseason television draft each year but traded the third pick to NBC, which selected the Oct. 12 game between Ohio State and Oregon. In return, Fox got last Saturday’s Nebraska-Ohio State game and Saturday’s Ohio State-Penn State matchup.

Fox owns the top three selections as the conference’s primary media partner and through its ownership of the Big Ten Network.

Besides the “Big Noon Saturday” slot, Fox has showcased the Big Ten with nine matchups on Friday nights. All four West Coast schools have

at least one Friday night home game, while the Bruins, Ducks and Huskies make two appearances.

“We wanted to use Friday to showcase the new West Coast schools and on Saturday to go a little deeper and not have it always be Ohio State and Michigan,” said Mike Mulvihill, Fox’s president of insights and analytics.

Ironically, Indiana is one of five conference schools that wasn’t scheduled for a Friday night game.

The Hoosiers were on NBC on Sept. 14, spoiling UCLA’s conference debut. They appeared on Fox on Oct. 19, when they beat Nebraska 56-7.

Indiana’s other three conference games were on Big Ten Network.

However, Indiana does have a national window on Saturday, with its game against Michigan State being streamed on Peacock.

The kickoff and network for the Michigan game will be determined after Saturday’s action is

completed.

Indiana-Michigan isn’t the only intriguing matchup on Nov. 9. The third-ranked Nittany Lions host Washington in their annual whiteout game, and No. 4 Ohio State faces Purdue.

The result of Saturday’s Ohio State-Penn State matchup should go a long way in helping to determine where all three games land. The Penn State-Washington game will be at 3:30 or 8 p.m. EST.

NBC will have an afternoon Big Ten game on Nov. 9 since it has Florida State-Notre Dame in prime time. It also has a Peacock-exclusive game that day.

All of the 18 Big Ten schools have been on Fox this season, either on Friday night or “Big Noon Saturday.” Half have been on CBS at least once, with USC and Michigan tied at three apiece.

All but four schools — USC, Northwestern, Rutgers and Maryland — have appeared on NBC or Peacock.



MADISON

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of which were Ayler, although she did have three assists.

But Ayler’s true value was on display in the sectional championship game two days later against three-time defending champion Silver Creek. Locked in a 1-1 tie late in the game, Ayler got a chance at a free kick from 30 yards out and never flinched, driving a rocket over the goalie’s head and into the net for the go-ahead score.

Four minutes later she sealed the win on another long shot, this one from 35 yards out, to give the Cubs a 3-1 lead and clinch the title.

Although she was icy cold delivering both blows, she celebrated wildly with teammates afterwards and was at a loss for words after the Cubs received their long sought-after trophy.

“I know I’m still so excited. It felt like yesterday that we got our group together and then won it,” Ayler said. “It’s start-

ing to hit me more and more every day, but it’s still really exciting.”

In just two years as a varsity player, Ayler has scored 66 goals and is nearing the program’s all-time career record. But those aren’t the stats that motivate her on the pitch.

“The friendships that you make and seeing them progress throughout the year are great,” Ayler said. “I love the friendships that I’ve made throughout the years, and I like the competition. I love being competitive. So when we just go out together and we win, it’s just so much fun.”

Ayler is also a standout softball player, but it is soccer that she is zeroing in on for her future. She has already been receiving collegiate inquiries and she hopes to get a chance to play at the next level.

“I think I’m going to play soccer in college. I was debating between that and softball, but I think soccer is the way to go,” Ayler said. “I feel like with soccer you can be more competitive, and the competitive side of me kicks in.”

COLTS

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I feel Joe gives us the best chance to win right now. With that being said, not giving up on Anthony (Richardson) by any means.”

Indy (4-4) drafted Richardson to stop a seemingly endless spinning quarterback carousel, projecting him to be the franchise’s long-term solution.

Since then, though, the 22-year-old has struggled both with his performance and his health.

His completion rate, 44.4%, is the worst in the NFL this season and he’s thrown four touchdown passes and seven interceptions. His nine total turnovers are tied for third most in the NFL despite missing two games with an injured right hip.

Seeing Richardson on the sideline is hardly a new phenomenon. He’s missed 15 of the 25 games in his career and has finished just five of his 10 career starts — all because of an assortment of injuries. including season-ending surgery on his throwing shoulder last October.

Then came Sunday’s game.

Houston (6-2) made Richardson pay for a poor decision by picking off an errant pass into double coverage in the final minute of the first half. The Texans quickly converted the turnover into a touchdown and eventually won 23-20 to take a two-game lead in the AFC South while sweeping the season series from Indy.

Worse yet, Richardson briefly left the game in the second half after tapping his helmet to signal he needed a breather. Though he returned on Indy’s next series, his decision to leave — on what Steichen said was going to be a handoff — was so heavily scrutinized, Richardson acknowledged he made a mistake though he didn’t say when he realized it was a mistake.

“Regarding that play, I know I can’t do that as a leader, especially as a quarterback of this team,” Richardson said. “As a football player in general, I can’t necessarily just take myself out of the game like that, especially in key moments like that. But you live and you learn. You’ve just got to grow from it.”

The result: Indy is benching one of the youngest, least-experienced quarterbacks in the

league and going with one of the league’s oldest.

Flacco, last year’s AP NFL Comeback Player of the Year and the Super Bowl 47 MVP, already has made two starts and is 2-1 in the three appearances with the Colts.

He’s completed 71 of 108 passes (65.7%) with 716 yards, seven TDs and one interception and his quick decision-making has helped Indy’s offense stay on the field more consistently.

And with the Colts still in the playoff mix, Flacco certainly appears capable of leading another team on a postseason run — just as he did with the Cleveland Browns last season. But his biggest contribution to helping Richardson’s growth may be providing insights only a few other NFL quarterbacks can.

“The thing we have to remember here is Anthony is really young. I know that when I was that young, there’s no chance I would have been able to have the perspective and just the right head on my shoulders to handle it and take it the right way,” Flacco said. “Being this is my 17th year, I do have that perspective. So this doesn’t have to be a negative thing. There are a lot of positives on his end that can come from this.”

Still, it’s a dramatic shift for Steichen, who just last week told reporters he needed to help Richardson with better play-calling. Back then, the Colts seemed intent to let Richardson learn from his miscues regardless of the results.

What changed? Steichen said the switch had nothing to do with Richardson taking himself out of Sunday’s game because he was “tired” and more to do with what was best for the Colts.

Still, it caught the calm, unflappable Richardson off guard.

“Of course, it hurts,” he said. “As a competitor, you definitely don’t want to be told that you’re not the guy anymore for the upcoming week, but it’s all good. I’m using this moment as an opportunity to grow and just learn from my mistakes.”

So for now, it’s Flacco’s job to lose.

“I’m fired up man,” Flacco said. “Anytime you get a chance to play football in this league, you have to count yourself as blessed. I really feel very fortunate to be with this team and be in this situation and I’m excited to get it done.”

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TNT	27	43	(4:45) ♣ Doctor S...		(:15) ♣♣♣♣ Thor:		Ragnarok ('17) Chris Hemsworth.			Rampage (N)		Movie		
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9 WCPO	23		(3:30) Fo..	Studio	Studio	College Football	Texas A&M at South Carolina (N) (Live)						News	
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THE Daily Commuter Puzzle

by Stella Zawistowski

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33 Some blood cells

36 Poet Khayyam

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39 Not barefoot

41 Dark spot in outer space: 2 wds.

45 Pub beverage

46 Gave to charity

47 One-pot dish

48 Extol

51 Scottish "no"

53 TV clickers

55 Leisure pursuit

59 Brainchild

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64 Word that ends a prayer

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10 Early video game company

11 African river

12 Utensil for eating soup

14 School support group: Abbr.

20 URL starter: Abbr.

22 Fancy party

25 Paid player

26 Ewe's offspring

27 Iridescent gem

29 First Greek letter

30 Actress Gal

31 No longer fresh

34 "What was \_\_\_?"

35 Only

37 Audio-only commercials: 2 wds.

40 Morning moisture

42 Price

43 Middle of the leg

44 Dame \_\_\_

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47 Avoid litigation

48 \_\_\_ donna (diva)

49 Made over

50 Change for the better

52 Positive features

54 "The nerve of \_\_\_ people!"

55 Writing instrument

56 Bearded flower

57 Actor Damon

58 Facial features

61 Ran into

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10 Maidenform products

14 California wine valley

15 Whale's home

16 Don't have

17 Journey

18 Online greeting

19 Prefix that means "all"

20 Philharmonic ensemble

22 Colorado ski town

23 Get your hands on

24 Uses a shovel

26 Inflatable boat: 2 wds.

31 Hand-\_\_\_ leather

35 Director Lupino

36 Drug cops

38 Double agent

39 Curve in a road

41 Ordered delivery: 2 wds.

42 Travel by boat

43 Contest of speed

44 "Cool!"

45 Eleventh month: Abbr.

46 Actress Milano

48 Antipathy

51 Leaning Tower of \_\_\_

53 Rowing machine, for short

54 Nun's outfit

57 Hotel employee

63 "Sadly..."

64 Mistake

65 Author Stephenson

66 Suffer defeat

67 Rental agreement

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69 Give a meal to

70 Small archipelago part

71 Certain Eastern European

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5 Loses it: 2 wds.

6 Bank ID: Abbr.

7 Dread

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10 Flowers

11 Highway entrance

12 Pimples

13 Potato peel

21 \_\_\_ piercing

22 A long time \_\_\_

25 "Everyone knows": 3 wds.

26 Astrological scales

27 Best possible

28 Highly decorative

29 Destiny

30 Tire pattern

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33 "Middlemarch" author

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## Mother wants heirlooms back from daughter-in-law

Dear Eric: During the process of our moving from a large house to an apartment in a retirement community, my daughter-in-law asked my son to leave their house. I had already arranged to give them many things, including my late daughter's artwork, two antique Chinese wedding chests and a Turkish rug. I paid to have these things — as well as a dining set, two sofas and beds — moved to their house, thinking that they would get back together.

It's now been months, and she is unwilling to reunite again. I've found that I have room in our apartment for the wedding chests, my daughter's artwork and the rug. We had a good relationship with my daughter-in-law until the separation. Now we have no communication with her. Am I justified in asking for these things back?

— Heartbroken Mother-in-Law



R. ERIC THOMAS  
ASKING ERIC

Dear Heartbroken: Yes, you can ask for them back. It's a little odd that she'd agree to take them while in the process of separating and that she hasn't proactively reached out to you about them, especially your daughter's artwork. But chalk it up to the stress of the relationship. And she very well may have thought it was only a trial separation, too.

Before you reach out, it's wise to loop your son in about your plans. He may have already made arrangements for the items as part of their mediation — or whatever process they're using to negotiate their separation. Or he may request that you let him handle it because the situation is complicated.

But if he gives the OK for you to reach out directly, I encourage you to do it. While your relationship with your daughter-in-law has changed, this logistical question offers you the opportunity to tie up some emotional loose ends and part with peace.

## Manipulative ex offers money, declares love

Dear Eric: My partner and I just bought a house together and are settling in nicely. He and his ex were married for 10 years, and she was mentally and emotionally abusive toward him. It took a lot of strength for him to leave.

They do not have children, pets or any property together. It should have been a clean break; however, she still contacts him.

Recently, she sent him a card in the mail. In it was a housewarming gift — a \$1,000 gift card. Two weeks later, she sent him a letter stating how much she still loved him, misses him and wishes he would let her into his life and that she's changed. He's not falling for it. He's aware she is being manipulative, but he's also not confronting her on the issue of letting go either. Instead, he's choosing to ignore it and believes any response would fuel her behavior even more.

I trust my partner, and I know there's no funny business happening. I also feel this isn't healthy for anyone.

He's mentioned in the past how he feels obligated to her (she saved his life a long time ago). I also do not believe he's been forthcoming about our relationship, and I doubt she knows we're even living together, so I feel like a secret (she



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ASKING ERIC

absolutely despises me). None of this feels good to me, and broaching the subject only brings tension. If we do, he treats it as though I'm the one with the problem and this is perfectly normal. What do you think?

— Silent Partner

Dear Partner: A thousand dollars and a manipulative confession of love? This is neither normal nor the kind of problem that just goes away. Your partner is either fooling himself or attempting to fool you.

Additionally, his reticence to set a clear boundary with his ex or even tell her that you're living together suggests that he's not ready to move on from this abusive relationship. That's not his fault, but he has a responsibility to address it for his mental and emotional health and the health of your relationship going forward.

It can be hard to move on. Recovery from emotionally abusive and manipulative relationships takes a long time and is often more complicated than it initially seems. If he's not actively working on it, however, he's not going to make progress. Your conversations may be less tense if you start them by acknowledging that the relationship with his ex remains complicated and probably involves a lot of conflicting feelings for him. But he also needs to recognize that your issues with the ex's behavior are not a "you" problem, they're a relationship problem that he has a big part in.

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## ASTROLOGY

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Your charm and easygoing nature could make the upcoming weekend's social activities run more smoothly. Your professional ambitions and goals driven by your hopes, effort, and dreams may start to materialize.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Birds in cages sing different songs. Stop confining yourself to the expected roles you were assigned. Learn to soar over the walls that have been built. Feel free to express yourself and enjoy the possibility of an abundance of admiration.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Make yourself known. You need to get out and wave a flag. Let people know what you do and how they can work with you. If they don't know you, they won't think of you when the offers, opportunities, and invitations are handed out.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — Find it in your heart to show some forgiveness. There's no harm in being kind but being overly aggressive could cause damage. While persuasive tactics might get results, at the end of the day they won't be the ones you truly wanted.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — The heart desires what it desires. Sometimes, there's no logical explanation for an attraction or passion. You might find yourself captivated by someone you don't fully understand, even though you are willing to try and put forth great effort.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Present your best self to other people. Don't allow negativity to influence your interactions with fellow collaborators or clients. Your view may shape their reactions, so choose a positive interpretation and reap the rewards you deserve.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — You may have a talent for recognizing who can be trusted. Don't ignore your instincts just because someone doesn't appear with a recommendation. Consider giving people a chance to prove themselves rather than passing them over.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — The time you've spent trying to make a decision could have been used to get everything done. You may be in a cycle of overthinking but consider going with your gut and taking strides forward. Procrastination might be your only enemy.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — You may be tempted to investigate some of the endless opportunities you keep receiving in your inbox. You know the importance of prioritizing your education and skillset. Invest your money thoughtfully with purpose.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — You might feel the urge to compete but remember that things may be better in moderation. Someone might understand if you offer an apology; someone else you collaborate with may be cooperative if you use a commonsense approach.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — You might enjoy being part of a group. If you're invited to join an organization or group that aligns with your values or supports a good cause, consider going ahead and getting involved. You might even form a lifelong friendship as the weekend unfolds.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — There are steps which must be taken to achieve your goals. Consider ways to better work with challenging people rather than avoiding them. Your imagination could help you navigate a maze of peer pressure for a successful outcome.

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## ASTROLOGY

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Enjoy being the apple of someone's eye. Your desire for publicity and adoration might call for you to be more charming and on your best behavior in social situations. You may share your recent accomplishments with others.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Leave a big tip or give someone a compliment. You may not mind being a bit extravagant and overly generous if it brings a smile to someone's face. Develop relationships that radiate the feeling of being deeply supported.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Your ideas could bring a fresh perspective that resolves a major halt. Someone close may need your wise advice. Ignore any argumentative behavior around you and avoid letting someone challenge you to a costly contest.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — You know the scene; you just want your ball back from a yard, but the dog thinks you are an invader. You might be dealing with people like that. Just like with a dog, move slowly and explain what you are doing in a calm voice.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Express your thoughts openly, but also seek peace. People could be more likely to trust you if you're honest, sincere, and transparent. You might need some extra quiet time or privacy to reflect on your future and your plan of action.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — A home is more than just brick, wood, or four walls; it's made of the memories within. Before discarding well used toys and clothes or deleting old pictures and files, consider keeping something for the sake of the memories.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — Discover ways to please and appease your loved ones. You may sense there's something unspoken or unresolved, but you instinctively know the right thing to do. Think about strengthening your connections and commitments.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — Put yourself in the driver's seat and take control of the weekend's social activities. You might be in charge of organizing a dinner group, or just gracefully follow behind an unruly group at a social outing.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — Admiration and support don't always appear on demand. Sometimes, maintaining and nurturing key relationships requires more conversation. Consider discussing your goals and ambitions with your inner circle.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — There's no need to be jealous of others. Even if someone you admire has many significant achievements, it doesn't mean they don't sometimes experience challenges or setbacks. Focus on areas that let you exude confidence.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — A close relationship might benefit from a renewed focus on politeness and gratitude. When you become accustomed to someone's daily habits, it could be easy to take things for granted and forget to say "please" and "thank you."

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — You are not limited to the moment and not controlled by your past. Stop reacting to events and people you cannot control. With a little hope, you might be able to choose an infinite possibility you want to manifest into existence.



# McDavid expected to miss 2-3 weeks with injury

EDMONTON, Alberta — Connor McDavid is expected to miss two-to-three weeks with an ankle injury, the Edmonton Oilers said Wednesday.

McDavid, the reigning playoff MVP who led

Edmonton to Game 7 of the Stanley Cup Final, was injured Monday night when he was tripped and went left skate first into the boards on his first shift at Columbus. The team sent him home to get evaluated,

sowing fears that it might be a long-time absence for the undisputed best player in hockey.

The Oilers were naturally going to be extra cautious with McDavid, especially so early in the

season and given their aspirations to go on another long playoff run this spring. The 27-year-old had 10 points in his first nine games before being injured.

McDavid is a three-time

Hart Trophy winner as regular-season MVP and has led the NHL in scoring five times in nine years in the league and finished first in goals once. He could miss between six and 11 games because of the injury.

## DODGERS

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room wants him back,” the captain said. “You could look at the stats and what he did on the field, I think it was the type of leader he is in this clubhouse. He just does a lot of the little things that people don’t notice that truly make him one of the best players if not the best player in the game. ... I definitely would love to see him in pinstripes for quite a long time.”

After losing the first three games to LA, the Yankees won 11-4 in Game 4 behind Volpe to prevent a sweep. That left them looking to become the first of 25 teams that fell behind 3-0 in the World Series to force a Game 6, which would have been back at Dodger Stadium.

And they got off to a rollicking start, too, with back-to-back homers by Judge and Jazz Chisholm Jr. in the first inning. Giancarlo Stanton went deep leading off the third, and the Bronx Bombers had a 5-0 cushion.

“You feel pretty confident with your ace up there and a five-run lead. But you know, that’s baseball, man,” left fielder Alex Verdugo said. “They played the better baseball in this World Series.”

Cole cruised through four hitless innings, pitching around a leadoff walk in the fourth with the help of a remarkable catch by Judge as he crashed hard into the left-center fence.

California, here we come, right?

Wrong.

“I’m heartbroken,” manager Aaron Boone said. “The ending is cruel.”

Kiké Hernández opened the fifth with a single, then Judge dropped Tommy Edman’s easy fly to center for his first error all year, putting runners at first and second with nobody out. It

appeared Judge took his eye off the ball, which he tried snagging with just his glove hand.

“You can’t give a good team like that extra outs,” Judge said. “It starts with me there on the line drive coming in, misplayed that. So that doesn’t happen, then I think we’ve got a different story tonight.”

Will Smith followed with a grounder to the right of Volpe, who fielded it cleanly in the hole and tried to get the lead runner at third base. But the 2023 Gold Glove winner bounced a hurried throw that glanced off Chisholm’s glove for another error, loading the bases.

After a mound visit, Cole buckled down and struck out Gavin Lux and Shohei Ohtani as the sell-out crowd of 49,263 at Yankee Stadium roared.

And it looked as though Cole had wriggled out of the jam when Mookie Betts grounded a slow squibber to first baseman Anthony Rizzo. But because the ball was spinning so much, Rizzo waited back on it. Cole initially broke to cover first base, then stopped. And when Rizzo scooped up the ball, the pitcher was nowhere close.

Cole pointed toward first, but by then Rizzo had no chance to beat the speedy Betts to the bag. He was credited with an infield single that shaved New York’s lead to 5-1.

“I took a bad angle to the ball,” Cole said. “I wasn’t sure really off the bat how hard he hit it. ... By the time the ball got by me, I was not in a position to cover first.”

World Series MVP Freddie Freeman followed with a two-run single, matching a Fall Classic record with 12 RBIs, and Teoscar Hernández tied it with a two-run double over Judge’s head in left-center.


“We didn’t take care of the ball well enough in

that inning,” Boone said in an understatement.

With the five-run advantage gone in a flash, the end almost felt inevitable.

Stanton put the Yankees back in front 6-5 with a sacrifice fly in the sixth, but reliever Tommy Kahnle loaded the bases with none out in the eighth on two singles and a four-pitch walk.

A catcher’s interference call on Austin Wells also hurt as Lux and Betts came through with




**Public Notice**  
**City of Madison Utilities**  
**Notice of Significant Non-Compliance**

In accordance with the Sewer Use Ordinance # 2019 - 9 (Section 9.1) and the City held NPDES Permit #IN0025666 (Part III A-6). The City is required to publish a list of Industrial Users that have been in significant noncompliance with the municipal sewer use ordinance of pretreatment requirements during the previous twelve months.

Arvin Sango, Inc. 2905 Wilson Ave. Madison, Indiana 47250 exceeded the monthly average and daily maximum limits for Oil and Grease contained in Madison Industrial Pretreatment Permit No.M-1103 during the year 2024.

This legal notice is posted pursuant to Section 9.1 (A) of the City's Sewer Use Ordinance.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**TOWN OF DUPONT, INDIANA**  
**TOWN BOARD MEETING**

There will be a regularly scheduled meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Dupont, Indiana on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Town office within the Dupont Fire Department, 10641 N Reynolds Rd., Dupont, Indiana 47231, to consider the following:

Petition by Jerry Briner to vacate an old County Road bounded on the south by the north right-of-way line of West Main Street in the Town of Dupont, Indiana; on the east by the west boundary line of Abbots 1st Addition to the Town of Dupont; on the north by the south bank of Camp Creek in the Town of Dupont, Indiana; and on the west by the East line of Jones Addition to the Town of Dupont. Said old County Road has been found by survey by James J. Bertram, Jr., Indiana Registered Land Surveyor No. LS22200012, to be more accurately described as follows:

Beginning at a set Mag Nail marking the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 5 North, Range 9 East; thence South 89 degrees 27 minutes 26 seconds East. 14.55 feet; thence along the West lines of Lauri L. Young recored as Instrument No. 200600275 and Jerry L. Briner recorded as 202203732, South 00 degrees 38 minutes 20 seconds East, 343.87 feet to a found PK Nail marking the southernmost corner of Lot 43 of Abbot's Second Addition to the Town of Dupont recorded in Book 1, Page 70, Slide 18; thence South 56 degrees 29 minutes 52 seconds, 35.25 feet to a Rebar with cap marking the Southeastern corner of Lot 1 of said Jones Addition to the Town of Dupont; thence along the East line of Jerry L. Briner recorded as Instrument No. 2012-0584, North 00 degrees 38 minutes 20 Seconds West, 363.05 feet to a found 5/8" Rebar with cap; thence North 89 degrees 27 minutes 36 seconds East, 15.06 feet to the BEGINNING. Containing 0.240 acres, more or less, with 0.126 acres in Section 9, and 0.114 acres in Section 10.

**For the purpose of hearing those for or against said Petition, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Dupont Fire Department, 10641 N Reynolds Rd., Dupont, Indiana 47231.**

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**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF DUPONT, INDIANA, By Robin Meek, Clerk.**

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sac flies off closer Luke Weaver to give the Dodgers a 7-6 lead that right-handers Blake Treinen and Walker Buehler

refused to relinquish.

In the clubhouse afterward, Cole summed up the collapse with two words. “It’s brutal,” he said.



**LEGAL NOTICE**

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT ) SS: COUNTY OF JEFFERSON ) ESTATE NUMBER 39C01-2410-EU-000064 IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE ) OF GARFIELD COUCH, DECEASED. )

Devon M. Sharpe, JENNER, PATTISON & SHARPE, 307 Jefferson Street, Madison, IN 47250; (812) 265-5132

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GARFIELD COUCH, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that Jason B. Couch and Jordan Holly Adams were, on the 22nd day of October, 2024, appointed co-personal representatives of the estate of Garfield Couch, deceased, who died on the 31st day of March, 2024.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 22nd day of October, 2024.

Tabatha Eblen  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, IN

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**Board of Zoning Appeals Legal Notice**  
**MEETING DATE:** November 12, 2024, at 6:00 PM  
**MEETING PLACE:** Madison City Hall-Council Chambers

**A. Roll Call**  
**B. Approval of Minutes**  
**C. Renewals**

1. Baird Homes, Inc. – Conditional Use Permit for new and manufactured home sales.  
Location: 3041 W Clifty Dr  
Zoned: General Business (GB)  
One-Year Renewal

2. Phillip & Angela Lobb – Conditional Use Permit for a guest house (second floor of residence).  
Location: 213 Jefferson St  
Zoned: Central Business District (CBD)  
One-Year Renewal

3. Paul Francis – Conditional Use Permit for in-home gunsmithing services.  
Location: 1929 Hillview Ct  
Zoned: Low Density Residential (R-4)  
One-Year Renewal

4. Samantha Greer – Conditional Use Permit for short-term rentals.  
Location: 233 W First St  
Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)  
One-Year Renewal

5. Deborah Watkins – Conditional Use Permit for short-term rentals.  
Location: 128 West St  
Zoned: Central Business District (CBD)  
One-Year Renewal

6. Ahmed Alcuma – Conditional Use Permit for selling Cigars, Cigarettes, Vaping products and related accessories.  
Location: 114 E Main St  
Zoned: Central Business District (CBD)  
One-Year Renewal

**D. Tabled Applications**

1. **BZVD-24-43:** Jeffrey Phagan – Variance from Development Standards for lot acreage.  
Location: 2342 E Cross Rd Zoned: Residential Agricultural (RA)

**E. New Applications**

1. **BZCU-24-60:** Jeffrey Shields – Conditional Use Permit for a short-term rental.  
Location: 309 Jefferson St Zoned: Central Business District (CBD)

2. **BZCU-24-62:** Darcy Leeseberg – Conditional Use Permit for a Convenience store containing a restaurant with a drive-thru and fuel station.  
Location: 1200 Clifty Dr Zoned: Heavy Manufacturing District (M-2)

3. **BZCU-24-64:** Candace Carpenter – Conditional Use Permit for a short-term rental.  
Location: 715 E Main St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)

**F. Old Business**

1. Lena Burns – Conditional Use Permit for a residential daycare (maximum of 16 children, hours 7:00am – 5:00 pm)  
Location: 124 Crestwood Dr  
Zoned: Medium Density Residential (R-8)  
One-Year Renewal

2. Jessica Lawless/New Life Fellowship – Conditional Use Permit for a daycare/childcare ministry.  
Location: 1542 Clifty Dr  
Zoned: Local Business (LB)  
One-Year Renewal

3. Steve Buchanan – Conditional Use permit for a laser tag facility.  
Location: 2587 Cragmont St  
Zoned: General Business (GB)  
Two-Year Renewal

4. Chad & Amy Nichols – Conditional Use Permit for a Bed & Breakfast.  
Location: 708 E Main St  
Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)  
One-Year Renewal

5. Aaron P. Wood – Dark Phoenix Productions – Conditional Use permit for production, editing, audio, visual and administrative services for motion picture development.  
Location: 606 E Main St  
Zoned: Specialty District (SD)  
Two-Year Renewal

6. Judy King – Conditional Use Permit for an in-home daycare and preschool.  
Location: 2512 Franks Dr  
Zoned: Low Density Residential (R-4)  
Two-Year Renewal

7. Ellen Troutman – Conditional Use Permit to allow for an event center and short-term rental/lodging.  
Location: 402 W Main St  
Zoned: Specialty District (SD)  
Two-Year Renewal

8. 604 Mulberry LLC – Conditional Use Permit for short and long-term rentals/apartments.  
Location: 604 Mulberry St  
Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)  
One-Year Renewal

G. Motion to adjourn

H. Next meeting: Monday, December 9, 2024, at 6:00 PM


**For the purpose of hearing those for or against said applications, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:00 PM in City Hall, 101 W. Main Street Madison, IN 47250.**

BY ORDER OF THE MADISON CITY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Ray Dibaya, Associate Planner

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR THE YEAR 2025**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County, Indiana, up to the hour of 4:00 p.m. E.S.T. on Thursday, November 21, 2024, will receive sealed bids or proposals for purchasing the following items for the calendar year 2025:


Item one: Culvert Pipe  
Item two: Gasoline  
Item three: Diesel Fuel  
Item four: Crushed Stone  
Item five: Ready Mix Concrete  
Item six: Hot Mix Asphalt Surfacing Mix  
Item seven: Calcium Chloride  
Item eight: Liquid Asphalt  
Item nine: Vegetation Spray  
Item ten: Itemized Equipment Rental and Labor Rates

Sealed bids or proposals will be opened at the Board of Commissioners meeting, scheduled for the same day, Thursday, November 21, 2024 beginning at 5:00 pm. This meeting will take place at the Troy D. Morgan Public Safety Center, 620 Green Road, Madison, IN 47250. Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid price or not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

All bids shall be submitted on the Jefferson County Highway Department Bid Form, said form being available at the Office of the Auditor of Jefferson County, Indiana, at the County Courthouse, 300 East Main St, Madison, IN. Specifications are on file at the Auditor's Office.

By Order of the Board  
Heather Huff, Jefferson County Auditor

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**Plan Commission**  
**Legal Notice**  
**MEETING DATE:** November 12, 2024, at 5:30 PM  
**MEETING PLACE:** Madison City Hall, 101 W. Main Street Madison, IN 47250

A. Roll Call  
B. Approval of minutes  
C. Tabled Applications

1. **PCGB-24-8:** David Hall – General Business Setback Application. The applicant is requesting setbacks of one hundred and forty-seven (147) feet from the north lot line, three hundred seventy-one (371) feet from the east lot line, two hundred fifty (250) feet from the south lot line, and three hundred thirty-two (332) feet from the west lot line.  
Location: 423 E Clifty Dr  
Zoned: General Business (GB)

2. **PCRZ-24-8:** Jonathan Thompson – Application to Amend the Official Zoning Map. The applicant is requesting to have parcel ID: 39-08-21-443-009.000-007 rezoned from General Business (GB) to Medium Density Residential (R-8).  
Location: 2317 Lanier Dr  
Zoned: General Business (GB)

D. New Applications

1. **PCAF-24-13:** John Demaree – Application to Amend the Final Plat. The applicant is requesting to amend parcel ID: 39-08-22-223-005.000-007.  
Location: 748 Clifty Dr Zoned: General Business (GB)

2. **PCAF-24-14:** Robert Wallace – Application to Amend the Final Plat. The applicant is requesting to split parcel ID: 39-08-34-443-030.000-007.  
Location: 755 ½ W Third St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)

3. **PCAF-14-15:** Christ Alberson – Application to Amend the Final Plat. The applicant is requesting to split parcel ID: 39-13-01-223-032.001-007.  
Location: 1018 Park Ave Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)

4. **PCAP-24-6:** Darcy Leeseberg – Application for Accessible Parking Plan.  
Location: 1200 Clifty Dr Zoned: Heavy Manufacturing District (M-2)

E. Next Meeting: Monday, December 9 at 5:30 PM

**For the purpose of hearing oral comments concerning the listed applications, a public hearing will be held on November 12, 2024, at 5:30 PM in City Hall, 101 W. Main St., Madison, IN 47250. You are hereby advised that a copy of said proposal is on file for examination before the hearing in the Office of Planning, Preservation, & Design, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250. Written objections to the proposal that are filed with the secretary of the commission before the hearing will be considered. The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.**

BY ORDER OF THE MADISON CITY PLAN COMMISSION

Ray Dibaya, Associate Planner

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## RUTGERS

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named Pennsylvania’s Gatorade player of the year.

“He’s a dynamic shooter,” Finkelstein said. “Physically he’s not at the same level. But he’s a tough shot-maker who still manages to shoot really high percentages.”

### VJ EDGECOMBE, G, BAYLOR

No. 8 Baylor has had a freshman drafted in the first round each of the last three years (Jeremy Sochan 9th overall in 2022, Keyonte George 16th in 2023, Ja’Kobe Walter 19th in 2024). Edgcombe could be the next freshman to join that list. The 6-5 guard was ranked fourth in the 247Sports Composite. He’s from the Bahamas but attended high school at Long Island (New York) Lutheran.

“You’re talking about a truly elite athlete, really competitive on both ends of the floor,” Finkelstein said.

### COOPER FLAGG, G/F, DUKE

Flagg is the first freshman to make the Associated Press preseason All-American since Oklahoma State’s Cade Cunningham in 2020, according to SportsRadar.

The 6-9 swingman for No. 7 Duke was named the Gatorade national player of the year, Naismith national player of the year and a McDonald’s All-American his senior year at Montverde (Florida) Academy.

Finkelstein says Flagg’s game is similar to that of

former Utah Jazz forward Andrei Kirilenko but added that the Duke freshman might have a higher ceiling. Kirilenko is a former All-Star who played for Utah from 2001-11.

“Kirilenko, like Cooper, was a hugely impactful defender despite the fact he wasn’t a 7-footer,” Finkelstein said. “I’ve said Cooper’s the best shot blocker I’ve ever seen who’s not a 7-footer, at least at this stage. But offensively he’s got a ton of versatility to him too, and a real killer instinct about him.”

### TRE JOHNSON, G, TEXAS

Johnson arrives at No. 19 Texas after scoring 2,563 points in four years of high school basketball and had 17 points in 24 minutes at the McDonald’s All-American Game. Rated fifth in the 247Sports composite, the 6-6 guard is from Garland, Texas, but finished his high school career at Link Academy in Branson, Missouri.

“He loves to shoot off the dribble,” Finkelstein said. “I expect he’s going to be given a pretty green light in Texas to really pursue that individual offense, and it’s going to be about whether he can show that potent scoring ability and maintain his efficiency in order to help impact winning.”

### LIAM MCNEELEY, F, UCONN

McNeeley figures to move right into the starting lineup for the two-time defending national champions, since No. 3 UConn lost four starters from last

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# RUTGERS

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year's team. The 6-7 forward is ranked 17th in the 247Sports. He played at Montverde Academy the last two seasons.

"He's skilled," Finkelstein said. "He's got real size. He's got real basketball IQ. He's going to a system where he's going to be able to use all his best assets."

Asa Newell, F, Georgia

This 6-11 forward from Montverde Academy scored a team-high 20 points in

Georgia's preseason exhibition victory over Charlotte. Newell was ranked 15th in the 247Sports composite. Finkelstein noted that Newell actually came off the bench for much of his time at Montverde.

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**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**  
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Fund/ Additional  
9112- ARPA- \$191,710  
1182- \$5,548  
Total : \$197,258.00  
Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance Department.  
Heather Huff  
Jefferson County Auditor  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

**Alcohol & Tobacco Commission**  
**LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
The Alcohol Beverage Board of Jefferson County, Indiana will hold a public hearing at 1:00 pm on November 14, 2024 at the Jefferson Co. Courthouse, 300 E Main, Commissioner's Room, in the city of Madison in said county, to investigate the propriety of holding an alcoholic beverage permit by the applicants listed herein to wit:  
RR3935825 Beer Wine & Liquor - River & Lake RENEWAL  
The Red Pepper, INC 122 East Main St Madison IN D/B/A Red on Main  
JOHN HEITZ 902 Michigan Rd Madison, President  
LORI HEITZ 902 Michigan Rd Madison, Secretary  
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## LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF INDIANA  
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT  
CAUSE NO. 39C01-2410-EU-000066  
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF SUSAN WILLIAMS, DECEASED.  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
Notice is hereby given that on October 24, 2024, Justin Williams and Greg Schafer were appointed personal representatives of the estate of Susan Williams, deceased, who died on October 6, 2024.  
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Madison, Indiana, this October 24, 2024.  
**Tabatha Eblen**  
Clerk, Jefferson Circuit Court  
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## LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT  
SS: COUNTY OF JEFFERSON CAUSE NO. 39C01-2408-PL-000748  
TERRY SPARKS and SUSAN SPARKS, Plaintiffs,  
VS  
LISA LUMPFORD, Defendant.  
**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**  
TO: Lisa Lumpford  
Whereabouts Unknown  
THE STATE OF INDIANA to the above person named as Defendant and any other person who may be concerned.  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that you have been sued in the court above named by the persons named as Plaintiffs. The nature of the suit is a complaint for trespass, negligence, and injunctive relief. The complaint was filed on August 8, 2024.  
The whereabouts of Lisa Lumpford is unknown.  
If you wish to be apprised of the date of the trial in this matter, you or your attorney must enter an appearance within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published. If you fail to do so, a hearing will be scheduled and held in your absence and you will be bound by the Court's ruling thereon.  
The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is William Joseph Jenner, Jenner, Pattison & Sharpe, 508 East Main Street, Madison, Indiana, 47250, Telephone: (812) 265-5132. Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 15th day of October, 2024.  
**/s/ Tabatha Eblen**  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, IN  
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# UK quarterback dreams of farming after football

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Once Brock Vandagriff steps off the football field, operating his own farm is “the dream.”

The starting quarterback for the 2024 University of Kentucky football team, Vandagriff is working toward his master’s degree in community and leadership development in the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment.

The CLD program appealed to Vandagriff as a continuation of his studies at the University of Georgia, where he received his bachelor’s degree in communication studies and was on the football team from 2021-2023.

“It had some carryover, and it was in agriculture,” Vandagriff said. “That is something I want to do when I’m done playing ball, so it’s a two-for-one deal.”

Vandagriff’s first exposure to agriculture was on his grandparents’ and great-grandparents’ farms in Alabama. More recently, his hands-on experience has come from his girlfriend Layton Glisson’s

family beef operation in Georgia during their five years of dating.

“Working with them has definitely sparked my interest,” Vandagriff said.

After a lifetime of working with cattle and loving the outdoors, Vandagriff hopes to have a cow-calf operation of his own someday.

“Just being on the land, just hanging out with family — the dream,” he said.

Vandagriff began taking classes at UK in the spring 2023 semester and he was able to participate in a few CLD programs during the offseason.

At the UK Field Day event, which brought more than 3,000 4-H and FFA students to UK’s campus for agriculture competitions and activities, Vandagriff served food and posed for a lot of photos.

Proficient in American Sign Language, he also communicated with students from the Kentucky School for the Deaf.

“Those students were more in awe that someone could sign in their language than the fact it was the UK quarterback,” said Rebekah Epps, CLD asso-

ciate professor and Vandagriff’s mentor.

This summer, Vandagriff took Epps’ Gate to Plate course, which educated participants about the meat industry from start to finish.

He visited Eden Shale Farm, Blue Grass Stockyards, the UK Meats Lab and other UK facilities.

“Those are things I probably never would have learned about if I wasn’t there,” Vandagriff said.

At Gate to Plate, Vandagriff connected with people and organizations that will be helpful when he has his own farm. He shared his experience in an episode of Kentucky Ag Matters, a Martin-Gatton CAFE podcast to inform and educate producers and consumers about all things agriculture.

“Brock has told me several times that class has been his favorite class of his entire college career,” Epps said. “I suspect the large amounts of hamburger, brisket, steak, tri-tips and other beef may have had something to do with this being his favorite.”

A Georgia alumna and football fan, Epps knew

of Vandagriff before he became her student. Once he joined the CLD program, she made sure he was welcomed as “Brock, one of our new graduate students in the program,” rather than be defined as “Brock, UK quarterback.”

“He is extremely polite and is a man of few words in class. Don’t let that fool you,” Epps said. “Brock is constantly thinking and will pipe up with a perspective you may have not had or thought of because of his life experiences on the playing field, the hunting field or the cattle and hay fields.”

Since moving to Kentucky, Vandagriff has had some opportunities to hunt and fish, sometimes at the invitation of UK football coaches and others close to the program.

“I’m looking forward to getting out a little more in the offseason and getting to know some people,” Vandagriff said.

Another goal Vandagriff has for after football season: Develop what his research and eventual thesis will be. “Juggling” a master’s degree and a football schedule is demand-



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**Brock Vandagriff listens to a presentation during the Gate to Plate class at the University of Kentucky. A graduate student who transferred from Georgia, he is the starting quarterback for UK and interested in a career in farming.**

ing, he said, but Vandagriff is excited to keep working.

“It’s getting about time for the rubber to hit the road,” Vandagriff said.

Last week, the Wildcats took on Vanderbilt for Homecoming. Martin-Gatton CAFE also celebrated Roundup, an annual celebration for the college and agriculture community.

“Homecoming week will definitely be good for the ag department and the people who get to come in,” Vandagriff said. “Come

back and see where ag is now and see our football program.”

Having the starting quarterback as a CLD master’s student brings pride to the program.

“But we are very happy with allowing Brock to serve as an ambassador for agriculture on his own terms,” Epps said. “He is interested in merging his love of both football and agriculture in a way that best serves him and his community.”

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